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British Far Eastern Fleet Now at Singapore: H.M.S. Prince of Wales Flagship

"ONCE again the white Ensign will fill the Pacific horizon." These words, spoken some months ago by Vice-Admiral Sir Geoffrey Layton came true yesterday afternoon when some of Britain's mightiest battleships, including the famous H.M.S. Prince of Wales, in which President Roosevelt and Mr. Winston Churchill held their historic Atlantic Charter meetings, followed by smaller craft of various descriptions, sailed into Singapore harbour.

First news to reach Shanghai of the arrival of a section of the British Fleet in the Far East was carried by Reuter in a flash frm Singapore. This was followed by a later announcement that Admiral Sir Tom Phillips, newly appointed Commander-in-Chief of the British Far Eastern Fleet, was flying his flag in H.M.S. Prince of Wales. Other units of the fleet, said Reuter, are arriving in due course

The vanguard of the British Far Eastern Fleet, stated United Press in a despatch from Singapore, was sighted on the horizon at 2.30 p.m. yesterday. The fleet, as far as could be seen, was headed by two large battleships and a long line of smaller vessels. At 5.30 p.m., United Press continued, the flagship, H.M.S. Prince of Wales, and other units steamed up the Straits of Johore.

Public enthusiasm in Singapore, when news of the arrival of the British fleet became known, exceeded anything seen in the naval base —even dwarfing into insignificance the enthusiasm that greeted news of the arrival of the first Australian troops, said United Press.

Shanghai Excited

In Shanghai the news of the arrival of the Far Eastern Fleet, broadcast by Radio Station XGOY in its 9 p.m. English news, caused plenty of excitement and many calls were received by the "North-China Daily News" up to a late hour last night for details of the ships, their number, etc., etc.

Both Mr. Winston Churchill and Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, had previously announced that Britain was sending powerful fleet reinforcements to the Far East, thus indicating that Britain's warship strength is higher than ever before and that America is to be given the utmost support if war breaks out in the Pacific.

The arrival of the British warships effectively answered Japanese commentators, who adopted the view that Britain was unable to send large naval reinforcements to the Far East and that Mr. Churchill and Mr. Alexander were bluffing. One Japanese-controlled Chinese language paper in Shanghai even went so far as to describe Mr. Alexander's statement as "the barking of a mad dog."

Fleet Building Programme

The despatch of heavy units to the Far East, according to some circles in Shanghai last night, indicated that Britain's heavy fleet building programme, started before the war, was going ahead rapidly. They recalled that H.M.S. Prince of Wales and H.M.S. King George V were new ships and that it was probable that other capital ships, including the Lion and Temeraire (40,000 tons) were now in service, thus bringing Britain's battleship strength to a very high figure.

Command Changes Reported

Singapore, Dec. 2.

Informed sources here today understood that when Admiral Sir Tom Philips takes over command of the British Eastern fleet from Vice-Admiral Sir Geoffrey Layton it will be the forerunner of reorganization of the Far Eastern Command.

The move, it was believed, will signal resumption of three separate [Reuter.

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Little Hope in Washington for Pacific Talks

(By Reuters Special Correspondent)

Washington, Dec. 2.

Relations between Japan and America are in grave jeopardy, and will continue so unless the pending Japanese reply materially alters Tokyo's position.

This is the concensus of well-informed opinion in Washington, which interprets President Roosevelt's hurried return from Warm Sorings as a clear indication that important developments may be expected soon but pending Japan's reply the situation is in suspense and the extreme tension remains unrelaxed.

Mr. Kurusu was rightly worried and solemn when he emerged yesterday from his conference with Mr. Cordell Hull, and the super-optimism of Admiral Nomura's words was scarcely borne out by his manner.

Diplomatic Excuse

In view of General Tojo's purge speech and Mr. Togo's description of American principles as fantastic, the eagerly-awaited Japanese reply is not generally expected to alter Tokyo's stand materially.

Mr. Kurusu yesterday fell back on the diplomatic excuse of misquotation concerning General Tojo's speech, but was silent on Mr. Togo's rejection of Mr. Hull's principles.

There is real sympathy here for Mr. Kurusu as a person. No envoy can ever have been so betrayed by the government which gave him his mission. Scarcely a day has passed since his arrival on which some member of the Tokyo Cabinet has not made a belligerent or insolent statement sufficient to imperil the discussions.

But Mr. Cordell Hull has shown long-suffering patience, and it is open to wonder how much of his precious time in the last fortnight Mr. Kurusu has been forced to spend "explaining" the extraordinary outbursts of allegedly responsible members of the Government in Tokyo.

China Getting First Line Planes

Washington, Dec. 2.

Senator Burton K. Wheeler, of Montana, today charged that the United States administration was shipping inferior fighting planes to China. The planes which America sent to China can be "shot down like clay pigeons," the Senator said.

America's best planes are being sent to England and Russia, while the poorest ones are being used "by American boys," the senator said, adding that about 500 United States aviators thus far have been permitted to enlist as pilots for China.

The Senator also charged that second-rate planes were being sent to the Philippines.

Army and Air Corps officials, told of Senator Wheeler's accusations, said, "the United States is not in the habit of making inferior planes, and the planes intended for Britain have recently been directed to China by the British.

"Our first-line planes are being shipped to the place where they will be used for fighting, which includes China, and second-line planes are being used for training.

"No inferior planes are being sent by the United States to the Philippines," the officials concluded.—United Press.

100 Men in Burma Patrol

San Francisco, Dec. 2.

The number of United States Navy regular fliers in the "Burma Patrol" at present is 100 men, according to a Manila report yesterday.

Patrol members will be permitted, whenever convenient, to transfer their commissions to U.S. military service without any effect on their pay or promotion.—Domei.

Naval Chief Confers With Roosevelt

Washington, Dec. 2.

Admiral Harold R. Stark, Chief of Naval Operators, yesterday attended the White House conference between the President and Secretary of State following State Department meetings with Japanese envoys.

President Roosevelt, Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State and Admiral Stark confered at noon, shortly after conclusion of Mr. Hull's hour-long conference with Mr. Saburo Kurusu and Ambassador Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura.

Simultaneously, it was revealed that Mr. Summer Welles, under-Secretary of State, and Lord Halifax, British Ambassador to Washington conferred for 20 minutes, after which Mr. Welles hurried to the White House.

These developments increased tension in Washington over the Far Eastern crisis but, though earlier indications were that Japanese-American negotiations might have broken down, observers saw some hope in the words of Mr. Kurusu, who said he expected talks would be continued. The conference with Mr. Hull was not the final one, he said.

Chiang's Appeal

Meanwhile, it was revealed that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek personally appealed to President Roosevelt and Mr. Winston Churchill, British Premier, in early November. Gen. Chiang warned that unless the United States and Britain sent to China pilots and planes to guard the Burma road, he might be forced to consider a separate peace with Japan.

No statement was issued after the Roosevelt-Hull conference.

Mr. Saburo Kurusu and Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura, Japanese Ambassador, met Mr. Hull yesterday at 10.15 a.m. The Japanese envoys said they had not yet received the Tokyo Government's answer to the American Note.

"Badly Misquoted"

Mr. Kurusu also said that General Hideki Tojo, Japanese Premier, was "badly misquoted" regarding his statement last Saturday in observance of the first anniversary of the Japan-Nanking-Manchoukuo joint Declaration. News agencies quoted Gen. Tojo at that time as demanding that the United States and Great Britain be purged from the Orient.

Mr. Kurusu, following the conference, said he expected further discussions would be held.

Mr. Kurusu and Admiral Nomura left Mr. Hull after an hour and said they discussed "subordinate phases" of current negotiations.

Mr Kurusu said there would be further talks "if I am instructed to that effect."

However, he later added that today's meeting was not regarded "as the end" of the talks, and that he expected them to continue.

Admiral Nomura reiterated optimism concerning outcome of the conversations.

President Roosevelt returned here at 11.15 a.m. from Warm Springs and almost immediately went into conference with Mr. Hull.

China's Burden

Authoritative sources revealed that when Gen. Chiang made his appeal he asserted that China for four years had been carrying the burden of protecting Democratic ideals.

He said that there was danger American support might arrive too late and that if the Burma road was cut, China might find defence far more difficult.

Gen. Chiang requested transfer of American and British air forces in the Orient to China for defence of the Burma Road, said reports, and also asked America and Britain to notify Japan that any Japanese attack on the road would be regarded as an act of war.

It was recalled that Mr. Churchill on November 10 announced that Britain would join the United States within an hour after any declaration of war on Japan.

The United Press learned that negotiators, during the Hull-Kurusu-Nomura talks favourably considered a 90-day breathing spell proposal but China vigorously opposed it and the proposal then was abandoned. Mr. Hull thereupon delivered the stern answer of the United States to Japan.

Between Tuesday and Wednesday of last week the State Department received sufficient evidence to persuade it to abandon any action which might be considered appeasement, the United Press learned.—United Press.

No General Alert In Philippines

Manila, Dec. 2.

The "Manila Bulletin" reported today that high military authority close to the United States Far Eastern Forces emphatically declared that "There has been no general alert" in connection with reports that United States forces in the Philippines have been ordered to stand by for action. However, they said that local commanders have been ordered to "take the necessary precautions."—Domei.

No Troops Massed on Thailand Border

Bangkok, Dec. 2.

The Thailand radio announced last night that the "proper authorities" had inspected every part of the Thailand frontier and had found there was no concentration of troops by either the Japanese or British, and there was "no prospect of an invasion by anybody."

The radio added that the "public should believe this and realize that others do not know more of our business than we ourselves."—Reuter.

Japanese Denial

Bangkok, Dec. 1.

The Japanese Embassy spokesman, Mr. Reitetsu Iwata, commenting on reports that Japanese troops had crossed the Thai frontier, today said that "Japanese troops never have crossed the Thai frontier and there definitely will be no crossing."—United Press.

Japan Wants Two Weeks More To Prepare: U.S. Observers

Washington, Dec. 2.

WHILE the situation remains in suspense, pending receipt of Japan's reply to Mr. Cordell Hull's memorandum, what interests Washington at present is a report from Tokyo quoting authoritative quarters as saying that Japan hopes that the Washington talks will continue "at least two more weeks."

It is assumed by certain observers that Japan's warlike preparations will be completed by then.

There is little hope here that Japan's reply can enable a continuation of the discussions, because the Foreign Minister, Mr. Togo, has rejected in advance the principles underlying the American proposals for a settlement of issues in the Pacific.

Position Hopeless

If Mr. Kurusu is sincere, his position is hopeless, because he is little against his own government and the unyielding principles of the United States.

As a result, while there is still hope in Washington that war may be avoided, there is no optimism.

There is still puzzlement over Japan's position as she continues to force the issue nearer war, which, it is considered, she is bound to lose.

A writer in the "New York Times" recalls that General Tojo felt it necessary to make a belligerent speech as the talks opened here in the hope of making it appear to Washington that the alternative to his terms was war.

If the purpose of his most recent speech was similar, the writer proceeds, it was equally unsuccessful, the American position being that she has taken a position alongside the British, Chinese and Netherlanders and is not prepared to move from broad principles or jeopardize essential American supplies at the dictates of any power.

According to the writer, Washington fears Tokyo believes that the Americans are so divided that they will not fight for Siam, just as the Germans believed that the British would not fight for Danzig.

In an editorial the "New York Times" takes the occasion to reassure China that the Marines were not withdrawn from Shanghai for lack of interest in China. "We are taking them out as part of the process of clearing the ground that we may meet any eventuality."

Elsewhere in the same paper the suggestion is made that the German hand is clearly seen in Japan's actions, that those actions are part of Hitler's war, and that Hitler, not satisfied with forcing Russia to fight, seems bent on making the United States an active belligerent.—Reuter.

Soviet Guerillas—Including Women—Move Off for Attack

This picture, one of the latest to reach Shanghai, from Soviet Russia shows a group of Soviet guerillas (three women may be seen at the head of the group) moving off for a night attack against German troops. By penetrating to the rear of German positions, these guerillas have done much damage to lines of communication and are playing a big part in Soviet Russia's struggle against Hitler.

Germans Effect Junction Near Sidi Rezegh

London, Dec. 2.

TERRIFIC close-quarter battles continued yesterday in the main Sidi Rezegh battle area, as General Rommel threw every available Axis tank and armoured car into a desperate thrust to effect a junction between the forces east of Tobruk and those about Zaafran, six or seven miles north of Sidi Rezegh, and, after the most appalling losses, made good the junction, according to the latest Middle East communique.

Meanwhile British forces in the frontier area continued their elimination of Axis pockets of resistance.

During the whole course of yesterday's battle British air units again afforded close support to land troops by continuing their attacks on enemy armoured vehicles and mechanical transports around the Sidi Rezegh area, the communique concludes.

Out in the desert sourth-west of the main battlefield the Imperial mechanized forces at Galo, re-equipped and re-fuelled, are continuing their operations.

More Nazi Planes Appear

There is no fresh news of the British patrol which raided enemy supply columns south of Benghazi on the road from Tripoli.

More enemy aircraft are now appearing over Libya, but the R.A.F. continues to hold mastery of the air. For instance, in Sunday's big battle over El Gubi, British planes shot down 15 enemy planes for the loss of only three Hurricanes.

Today's German communique, referring to the Libyan campaign, states that the battle south-west of Tobruk during the last few days has developed favourably for German and Italian troops.—Reuter.

Blamey Confident

Singapore, Dec. 2.

General Sir Thomas Blamey, Commander-in-Chief of the Second Australian Imperial Force, yesterday told the press he was confident of the outcome of the Libyan campaign, where he said everything is proceeding "according to plans."

Sir Thomas arrived here yesterday from Australia. He said he was returning to the Middle East as soon as possible, explaining "I am anxious to get back to my own job."

He praised American tanks as doing a "jolly fine job in every way and playing a most important part in the Middle East."

Sir Thomas said that Australians would like to see United States naval co-operation in the Pacific.

"The salvation of Civilization necessitates all Democracies throwing their full weight into the fight," said Sir Thomas. "Australians believe that the United States should throw its Navy and Army and all resources on our side."

He added that he personally has faith that, in the long run—a "very slow and costly run—they (U.S.) will do so." He declined to comment on any phase of the Far Eastern situation."—United Press.

Action Promised In France-Nazi Collaboration

Vichy, Dec. 2.

The official spokesman, M. Jaques Benoist-Mechin yesterday said that "by action and not words will progress henceforth be made" toward Franco-German collaboration.

He said that Marshal Philippe Petain, Admiral Francois Darlan and Reich Marshal Hermann Goering met in an atmosphere of cordial courtesy.

"The Montoire collaboration policy continues," said M. Benoist-Mechin. "Marshal Petain and Marshal Goering discussed the future development of that policy but there were no immediate consequences."

Mr. Benoist-Mechin said that the conference made a wide survey and examination of general problems, which will be discussed in more detail in coming weeks.

Confidence in Future

"The conversations will permit us to envisage the future with increased confidence. Today's meeting shows us that France is not absent and that reconstruction of the continent will progress under our eyes."

Marshal Petain and Admiral Darlan returned to Vichy last night from where their special train met that of Marshal Goering.

Meanwhile, the German controlled Paris press viciously attacked the United States for military occupation of Latin American positions and also for mixing in Asiatic affairs.

"Le Petit Parisen" said that the Japanese must "pull from their sides the poisoned arrow—Chiang Kai-shek China which is a vassal of the Anglo-Saxons.—United Press.

Vichy Says Indo-China To Be Defended Against Aggression

Vichy, Dec. 1.

If an armed conflict were to break out in the Pacific, France would continue to adhere firmly to her policy of defending Indo-China against aggression, whoever the aggressor may be, the official spokesman for the French Government declared, answering a question at the regular press conference today.

In answering another newsman who asked what will be France's attitude if Japan were to attack Thailand from bases located in French Indo-China, the spokesman stressed the fact that 'such an eventuality seems to be entirely excluded for the time being. Premier Luang Pibul Songgram himself, speaking in Bangkok on Nov. 27 declared that he knew on perfect authority that the Japanese troops stationed in Indo-China did not nourish any hostile intentions against Thailand. The same was the case, the Thai Premier added, as regards British troops in Malaya.'—Havas Telemondial.

British Loss of Sidi Rezegh Announced

Cairo, Dec. 2.

An official British military spokesman today announced that Sidi Rezegh and Bir El Hamed were lost.—United Press.

Two More British Gunboats in U.S.

Washington, Dec. 2.

The British cruiser Phoebe is at New York, and the corvette Clarie at Mobile, Alabama, according to the United States Navy Department.—Reuter.

H.M.A.S. Sydney Sunk After Destroying Powerful Enemy Raider

Sydney, Dec. 2.

H.M.A.S. Sydney (6,830 tons) has been sunk in action after destroying the heavily armed merchant raider Steiermark, of 9,400 tons, accordinuto an announcement by the Australian Government. Her full complement of 42 officers and 603 men is missing. Mr. John Curtin, the Premier, stated today.

The Sydney sank the riader by gunfire, but no subsequent communication was received from here, and it must be presumed that she has been lost, the announcement adds.

An extensive search by air and surface units to locate survivors continues, and for strategic reasons it was not desirable to publish the information earlier than now, the communique states.

The Steiermark has been known for some time as Raider No. 41, and has been sailing under the name of Kormoran. She has been responsible during her career for sinking the Greek ship Antonis, and the British ships British Union and Africa Star.

Later, operating with another merchant cruiser, the two sank the British ship Eurylochus. Later still, the Steiermark, operating in the South Atlantic, sank the steamers Agnita and Craftsman in March or April of this year.

In June she sank the steamers Velebit and Mareeba between Ceylon and Sumatra. On September 26 she sank the Greek ship Stamatois Gambiricos.

The Australian Government Communique states. "While regretting the loss of this fine ship and her gallant complement, the people of Australia will be proud that she upheld the traditions of the Royal Australian Navy, and completed a glorious career in successful action against the enemy."—Reuter.

London Expects Fight In Far East

London, Dec. 2.

A Government spokesman apparently referring to Japan, today said, "We must prepare for the extension of heavy fighting to the East."—United Press.

Russian Troops Violate Border Japanese Allege

Changchun, Dec. 2.

Japanese garrison troops shot dead two out of five Soviet soldiers who crossed the border into Manchoukuo territory at 10 a.m. yesterday, at a point 40 kilometres south of Tungning on the eastern Manchoukuo frontier, it was reported.

The remainder of the group was driven back into Soviet territory, it was stated.

It will be recalled that this is the second incident of its kind recently, the first having taken place on November 16, when one Soviet cavalryman was killed and two wounded when they crossed the Manchoukuoan border near Manchouli.

The Manchoukuoan Government on November 18 filed a strong protest with the Soviet Consulate-General at Harbin against the frontier violation.

On the first occasion, the two wounded Soviet soldiers captured, confessed they were reconnoitring in Japanese positions in Manchoukuo.—Domei.

Japanese Envoy Sees Premier

Bangkok, Dec. 2.

Mr. Teiji Tsubokami, Japanese Ambassador, held a 40-minute meeting this morning with Thai Premier Marshal Luang Pibul Songgram.

Mr. Tsubokami visited the Thai Premier at 10.50 a.m. after a conference with Japanese Consul-General Kiyoshi Uchiyama, and former Consul-General Shunsuke Asada. Later the Japanese envoy told reporters that "nothing of a surprising nature was discussed, with the Thai Premier.

He said he exchanged information regarding the prevailing international situation, including economic questions.—Domei.

5 Shops Closed By S.M.C. for Overcharging

The licences of five premises were suspended yesterday for a period of three days by order of the Shanghai Municipal Council. Four of these sold goods at higher than maximum prices announced as ruling from November 18 and 24; the fifth was found to have mixed rice in contravention of the Council's Notification of November 13.

The premises involved were **Tseng Dah Tobacco Shop**, 305 Seymour Road, where 5 gallons of Eagle Kerosene were sold on November 21 for $46, when the permitted price was $3.60 an American gallon; **Sing Yeu Woo**, 175 Carter Road, where a carton of Lux flakes was sold on November 27 for $1.80 when the permitted price was $1.50, and a double tablet of Fragrant Honey Soap for $1 instead of $0.85; **Yuen Tung & Company**, 10 Avenue Haig, selling a half pound tin of Peter's cocoa for $6.50 instead of $5.60; and the **Merry Candy Shop**, for selling a half pound tin of baking powder for $3 when the official price is $2.90.

The **Ting Fong Rice Shop**, 37 Kwangse Road, was found to have mixed rice on November 18 contrary to Council regulations, and to have sold the mixture at $190 a zah.

Large Notices

Police delivered the suspension orders to the shops in question, posting large white notices with red lettering which bore the following statement:

"These licensed premises have been closed by order of the Shanghai Municipal Council. This penalty has been incurred because commodities were sold at prices in excess of official maximum prices.

"These premises will remain closed for three days.

"They may re-open on Saturday, December 6 at 6 a.m.

"The Council has warned the licensee that licence suspension for a protracted period will follow a second offence.

"The public is asked to co-operate by reporting cases of overcharging."

Those who report instances of overcharging are asked to supply concrete evidence in support of the statement. Shops are required by Municipal Notification dated November 29 to give invoices for each sale. Buyers should see that the exact brand and unit is inserted on all invoices, since without this evidence it is impossible to take action against the retailer.

Complete Annihilation Facing Von Kleist's Army West of Rostov

London, Dec. 2.

FACING complete destruction west of Rostov before Marshal Timoshenko's relentless counter-offensive, General Von Kleist's army, which originally consisted of powerful formations of tanks, hundreds of heavy guns and thousands of lorries and cars, is already in a "deadly pocket" with its back to the Sea of Azov, according to the latest reports reaching London.

In addition to the main counter-attack from Rostov, other Soviet forces are striking from the north and a third body of Russian troops has outflanked the Germans from the west.

During their pursuit of the enemy beyond Rostov the Russian army has captured 116 tanks, 210 guns, 306 machine guns, 178 mine throwers, 4050 rifles, and 871 lorries.

In Berlin a military spokesman has at last admitted that the Nazis had been cut off by superior forces, but claimed that the Russian success was of no great importance.

On the Moscow front the Russians say that at one point the Germans are within 36 miles of the capital, but state that the defenders everywhere are keeping up vigorous counter-attacks. Near Tula, 100 miles south of Moscow, Russian forces have captured an important railway linking the capital with the Caucasus. Another counter-attack near Stalinogorsk, south-east of Tula, is said to have routed a German panzer division.

German Positions Recaptured

The Russian Army spokesman, M. Lozovsky, said today that many German positions around Moscow had been recaptured and declared that in the latest assault on the capital, the Germans have suffered half a million casualties.

On one sector of the Leningrad battlefront. Soviet forces, according to a report from Moscow, have reoccupied their former defence positions after three days of bitter fighting. About 2,500 Germans were killed during these three days of fighting.

The Soviet communique repeats the familiar: "During the night of December 1 our troops fought the enemy on all fronts."

"By the evening of December 1 the enemy was driven about 31 miles back from Rostov," says "Izvestia's" correspondent, quoted by Moscow Radio this morning. A Russian unit commanded by General Goncharov advanced 18 miles, the correspondent adds.—Reuter.

Nazis Admit Heavy Soviet Assaults

Berlin, Dec. 2.

Fiercest fighting of the entire Soviet-German war is raging in the Rostov area as numerically superior Red units are incessantly charging Nazi lines, German military quarters said today.

Exact location of the fighting was not given, but it was asserted that thousands and thousands of Russians were being hurled against German positions in sanguinary mass attacks.

The mass attacks must cease soon, said German military quarters, because Red losses are so enormous. Soviet commanders do not seem to care the slightest about how heavy losses they suffer, it was said. —United Press.

Goebbels Not Up to Usual Bright Form; Harps on Defeat

Berlin, Dec. 2.

Herr Joseph Goebbels, Propaganda Minister, yesterday during a speech here said that Germany faces its greatest, "but also last," chance.

Herr Goebbels said that all present troubles "would pale before the inferno which would await us if we lost" the war.

The Propaganda Minister said that "what seems more important is the fact that England possesses no more chances for victory and already is on the road to defeat. When this will happen no one can say."

Herr Goebbels declared that United States aid had lost any terror for Germany and that United States armaments can not equal Europe's "let alone eclipse them."—United Press.

R.A.F. Hammers German Ports And Shipping

London, Dec. 2.

An Air Ministry communique announcing heavy R.A.F. raids on German ports and shipping, from which altogether 20 planes are missing, states:

"Strong forces of the Bomber Command attacked enemy ports in north-west Germany last night (Sunday). The main attack was at Hamburg, where, in bright moonlight, docks and shipyards were heavily bombed and many large fires left burning.

"A powerful force attacked Emden, where good results were also seen. Objectives at Bremerhaven, Wilhelmshaven, Kiel and Luebeck were bombed and mines laid in enemy waters.

Shipping Also Attacked

"Coastal Command aircraft made low-level attacks on enemy shipping off the Dutch coast last night. Hits were obtained on a tanker and several medium-sized supply ships. One ship was sunk.

"Nineteen aircraft of the Bomber Command and one of the Coastal Command are missing."

The loss of 19 crews and machines is the highest in one night since November 7/8, when 37 bombers failed to return from the R.A.F.'s biggest attack on Berlin.

It was stated in London yesterday, however, that Sunday night's losses compared favourably in relation to the number of machines employed with those sustained during the Berlin attack and were not above what should be expected when strong forces of aircraft are in action. It was also pointed out that as Britain's defences against night bombers had become more efficient in recent months so had the [illegible] —Reuter.

Ministerial Changes Announced in Tokyo

Tokyo, Dec. 2.

The Japanese Government today appointed Mr. Yoshiaki Hatta, member of the House of Peers, as Minister of Railway, which post hitherto had been held concurrently by Vice-Admiral Ken Terajima, Minister of Communications.

The foreign Minister, Mr. Shigenori Togo, simultaneously was relieved of his concurrent post of Minister of Overseas Affairs. This post was filled by Mr. Hiroyasu Ino who already has the post of Minister of Agriculture and Forestry.

An official announcement said that Mr. Togo has been released from his concurrent post of Minister of Overseas in order to enable him to "devote himself to the pursuance of foreign policy in view of the situation."

Authoritative circles said that the appointment of Mr. Ino to the post of Minister of Overseas was aimed at consolidating the Government's food policy in Japan proper with the overseas possessions.

It will be recalled that Mr. Hatta, the new Minister of Railways, was Minister of commerce and industry in the Hiranuma cabinet.—United Press.

Thousands of Serb Communists Killed

Berlin, Dec. 2.

A D.N.B. despatch from Belgrade yesterday said that the newspaper "Obnova" reported police and military forces had restored order in the cities of Uzice and Cacak, after killing or taking prisoner "thousands of Communists."—United Press.

German Evacuation of Rostov Overshadows Moscow Battle

Soviet Border, Dec. 2.

THE interest caused by the operations in the region of Rostov brings back to the limelight despite the fight waged in front of Moscow owing to the considerable strategical importance the new drive assumes.

The evacuation of Rostov by the German forces is motivated by several factors, namely, the Soviet counter-offensive along the Donetz river and the battle of Libya for which many units of the Luftwaffe had to be removed from Russia.

The evacuation of Rostov however was not so much prompted by the efficiency of the Soviet counter-attacks as by the necessity for the Reichwehr to straighten its front line.

The consequences of the German retreat will be felt in three ways. First, the whole campaign of the Caucasus is at stake and it is quite possible that one or two months will elapse before the conditions become once more favourable for a drive on the Caucasus.

German Hopes Dwindling

Another consequence is the loss of hope to launch an attack on the Caucasus by Kerch. Such a drive could only take place by sea with parallel action starting from the Don river in order to divert any danger from the north.

Finally the German retreat may allow Marshal Timoshenko's army to develop a new offensive in Ukraine if the forces at his disposal are strong enough. The Wehrmacht would then have to remove some units from the sector of Moscow.

As to the situation before Moscow, it remains very serious indeed in spite of the Russian counter-attacks in the region of Stalinogorsk. The most dangerous attack against the capital is being carried on in the region of Volokolamsk where the German forces being numerically superior, their advantage becomes every day more apparent.—Havas Telemondial.

Winter Quarters Problem

Berne, Dec. 2.

Following the loss of Rostov, the Germans are increasingly preoccupied as to how her Eastern front army is to pass the Russian winter, reports the Berlin correspondent of the "Basler Nachrichten."

The "Rovno" (Polish) press has published an appeal from the German Commissioner-General requesting the population to make room for German troops needing winter quarters. The propaganda company (German reporters with the troops) speaks of "soldiers' towns" composed of numerous small shelters which are being built behind the front. They admit that German infantry is housed in one-man dugouts resembling those of the last war."—Reuter.

*British Fleet Reaches Singapore

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commands and include the reappointment of Air Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, Commander-in-Chief of British Far Eastern forces. Officials declined to comment on the reports.—United Press.

"Bluff Called"

Singapore, Dec. 2.

"Japan's bluff has been called," says the 'Straits Times,' adding that "a complete show-down cannot long be delayed.

"Japan cannot continue to exist under the present economic pressure. She can only secure a relaxation of that pressure by abandoning her expansionist programme. The one alternative left to her is to take action which will bring war to the Pacific .....a war in which the odds will be overwhelmingly against her.

"That is the absolute limit of the power of her evil. She cannot win such a war: she cannot secure domination of the Pacific. If she does decide on this suicidal course—and we still cannot believe she will—it will be at the behest of a handful of militarists who are drunk with the lust for power."

The paper concludes by stressing that since this last possibility "does exist to some degree, it is simple prudence that we should place ourselves in the highest state of preparedness."—Reuter.

Hongkong War Stations

Hongkong, Dec. 2.

Military authorities yesterday announced that part of the Hongkong garrison was standing by battle positions as the Government issued a special communique urging non-essential residents to evacuate the Crown Colony.

Military authorities said that part of the garrison was manning war positions on the island and mainland "on a limited scale."

The Hongkong Government communique said that "it is desirable that all persons not required for duty in the colony in the event of outbreak of hostilities and who are able to remove themselves and families from the colony should take any exisiting opportunity of doing so now."

The exhortation had been expected by many Chinese and some 1,500 rushed to receive necessary typhoid and cholera inoculations so they could evacuate.

Approximately 100 of the remaining Japanese residents of the Colony were speeding their departure from Hongkong for Canton.—United Press.

Malay State of Emergency

Singapore, Dec. 2.

The entire Malay peninsula today was in a state of emergency, including Johore in accordance with the Sultan's proclamation last night.

Mobilization of volunteers throughout Malaya was proceeding rapidly.

Meanwhile, all regular troops were standing by ready for instant action and taking up coastal stations while anti-aircraft batteries and members of the Royal Air Force and the Royal Australian Air Force of the Far Eastern Command were officially "on tiptoes" for any eventuality.

The civil airport was closed to the public and declared a "fully protected area" under armed guards. Even the popular airport restaurant was closed to the public.—United Press.

Rangoon Reinforced

Rangoon, Dec. 2.

Further large reinforcements of British and Indian troops comprising all arms of the service arrived in Rangoon on Sunday and Monday, announces a communique from Army Headquarters in Burma.

The statement adds: "The troops are well trained and many have already seen service in other theatres of war."

The reinforcements consist of some of the largest contingents to arrive in Burma. Fully armed with completely modern equipment, they brought their own vehicles and animal transport and are ready to go into action at a moment's notice.

"The men are in fine spirits and ready for anything," one officer told Reuter's correspondent.

One of the largest convoys of modern military vehicles ever seen in Burma assembled in Rangoon and left the capital yesterday to serve with the troops already at defence centres throughout the country. All the vehicles are new and of the latest type used by the British Army.

Decision to hold a lighting restriction exercise throughout Burma was announced by the Civil Defence Commissioner yesterday. The exercise began last night.—Reuter.

Hongkong Evacuation

Hongkong, Dec. 2.

Following yesterday's Government evacuation communique, only 100 including many Indians had registered for passages by noon today.—Reuter.

Thailand Rapidly Prepares Defences

Bangkok, Dec. 2.

The impending climax in the Far Eastern crisis dominates the scene here, and, anticipating the worst, Thailand is quietly pushing ahead all-out preparations for self-defence.

Though reluctant to enter into details, authoritative quarters emphasise the wide scope of the preparations, which cover all phases of national defence.

It is believed that the Thai Navy is in a state of readiness to carry out patrol duties in territorial waters.

Armed guards are stationed at strategic points in Bangkok and its approaches, while air raid shelters are being hurriedly constructed at various points.

It is reliable understood that the authorities are collecting all available data about private cards and lorries for possible requistitioning in case of an emergency, while a scheme of evacuation for women and children from the capital is reported to be under consideration.

Home defence volunteers are registering in their thousands all over the country.

Nevertheless there is no slackening of the preparations for the election of "Miss Thailand" in the second week of December at the Annual Constitution Fair.—Reuter.

Litvinov Hops Off For Guam

Manila, Dec. 2.

M. Maxime Litvinov, new Soviet Ambassador to the United States, hopped off in a Clipper plane early today for Guam.

Mr. Francis B. Sayre, United States High Commissioner to the Philippines, tendered M. Litvinov an informal banquet last night. High American and Filipino officials were reported to have attended. However, President Manuel Quezon was indisposed and could not be present, said reports.—United Press.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

"The Pirates of Penzance"

A dramatic moment at the Lyceum Theatre last right when Frederick (Edward Mackay) and the Major-General (Hugh Thomas) are seized by the Pirates with Mabel (Billie Harvey) pleading for their lives.

War Declaration On Finland Looms Nearer

By Reuters Diplomatic Correspondent

London, Dec. 2.

Reports from America that Britain is about to declare war on Finland are gathering increasing strength

While nothing is available officially, there are many here now who predict that such a step is imminent—and predict it firmly.

Finland has been given every chance ever since April last, when German troops first began to arrive there in excess of the number allowed in the Finnish-German agreement of September 1940. But as the war dragged on, it has become increasingly apparent that Finland has been fighting not only to regain her old frontier but in a way which tends to sabotage the whole Anglo-Soviet war effort.

Finnish Misgivings

In the past week, for instance, reports have suggested that Finnish soldiers have been fighting not only in the north but also around Lake Ladoga, well outside any areas ever claimed by Finland.

To what extent the Finns are their own masters in all this may be a matter of doubt. But there can be no doubt that many Finns themselves have the gravest misgivings about the path which their country is at at present following.—Reuter.

18 Believed Dead In Shanghai Airliner Crash

Canton, Dec. 2.

Hope was virtually abandoned today for the lives of 18 persons, including one German, who were aboard the China Aviation Company's crack airliner "Shanghai" when an all-night search which continued to 11 o'clock this morning, failed to reveal the whereabout of the "Shanghai," reported missing somewhere near Tamshui east of Canton, in Kwangtung Province.

Among the passengers were Mr. W. Maulshagen, German businessman of Shanghai, and Mr. Shinryo Tachibana, manager of the Shanghai branch of the "Osaka Mainichi Shimbun."

It was ascertained that the airliner left Shanghai at 9.50 o'clock yesterday morning. It left Taihoku at 1.34 o'clock yesterday afternoon and was to have arrived at Canton at 5.30 o'clock. Search for the plane was instituted immediately after the plane was overdue.—Domei.

Honolulu Customs Guard Given 10 Year Sentence

Honolulu, Dec. 2.

Federal Judge I. M. Stainback yesterday sentenced John Yeung, Customs Guard, to 10 years hard labour in Oahu prison for the fatal shooting of Lieutenant Martin Connelly.

The sentence is under territorial regulation which provides that after three months the board of paroles may recommend a minimum term, which Judge Stainbuck must approve before it becomes effective.

The defence requested a minimum (commitment) stay of five days pending notice of appeal to the Ninth Circuit Court Appeals and Judge Stainback granted the request.

Yeung shot and fatally wounded Lt. Connelly during a scuffle when the Lieutenant objected to being searched as he was about to board a ship in the harbour.—United Press.

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Edith .....Winifred Allan
Kate .....Marion Brotchie
Isabel .....Frances Sheridan
Major-General Stanley ..Hugh Thomas
Sergeant of Police .....W. T. Fulstow

A picture of piracy in its most pleasant aspect was presented at the Lyceum Theatre last night when "The Pirates Of Penzance" made their bow in a most worthy cause—the Red Cross Section of the British War Funds. Any Gilbert and Sullivan opera is a difficult undertaking at the best of times and this particular production is no exception to the rule. In this instance the A.D.C., labouring under their additional handicap of having lost a number of their best singers nevertheless rise to the occasion once more and put up a most commendable show under the circumstances. It was somewhat in the nature of a muted performance last night as the majority of the voices lacked the necessary power to bring out the essential gusto that is the essence of the light operatic whimsies of Gilbert and Sullivan. In spite of this deficiency, however, it was a most enjoyable entertainment and well worth a visit to the Lyceum to see on any of the four remaining nights that constitute the run of the show.

Easily the outstanding performer on the stage was Robert Stuart, who also helped to produce the comic opera. Of all the players he entered into his part with the greatest zest and came nearer than anyone else to capturing the buoyancy and the heartiness that are the main ingredients of any Gilbert and Sullivan character. His voice carried well and his comic rendering of the Pirate King was always vastly entertaining. He received adequate support from David Harbottle, as his lieutenant, and from the rest of his piratical crew. Edward Mackay, as the apprentice with a conscience, demonstrated that he had a pleasant voice but his performance might be improved considerably if he were not so completely conscious of the audience the whole time.

Among Major-General's Stanley's numerous selection of daughters, Billie Harvey, Winifred Allan, Marion Brotchie and Frances Sheridan sang well and were ably backed up by a contingent of sisters. Kitty Sharp, as the piratical maid-of-all-work, also sang charmingly but suffered from the handicap of having a voice too delicate to carry well to the end of the theatre, though she was by no means alone in this shortcoming. The best effects were accomplished in the choruses when the male and female voices blended harmoniously and fully with excellent results.

As usual in all A.D.C. productions the scenerey was good and Domracheff is to be congratulated on making a very effective job of it.

Taken all in all, "The Pirates of Penzance", policemen, Major-General, and daughters included, put up a fine performance and deserve high praise for making a great success of a difficult undertaking.—G.E.M.B.

Only Japan Can Start War Says Mr. Curtin

Canberra, Dec. 2.

Mr. John N. Curtin, Australian Prime Minister, yesterday after a Cabinet meeting declared that "war in the Pacific can only result from a Japanese offensive."

Mr. Curtin said that Australia was proceeding with steps to insure resources and defences of Australian territories. Australian air and naval power has been greatly augmented since last year, he said.

"Due to increased cohesion of countries affected, everything is being done to meet any aggression," said Mr. Curtin. "However, we are not starting any offensive in the Pacific."

The War Cabinet met for four hours and will meet again in Melbourne on Thursday, it was announced.

Mr. Curtin said that the "Australian station is now a station of war."

He said Cabinet Ministers viewed the Pacific situation gravely and were receiving a constant stream of despatches from service chiefs of the British government and Australian representatives in London and the Pacific area.—United Press.

Roosevelt Urged to Threaten Japan

Washington, Dec. 2.

Representative Andrew S. May, chairman of the House Military Affiars Committee, today in an interview urged that President Roosevelt should tell the Japanese that unless they renounced their ambitions for an empire in south Asia, the United States will "blast them off the land and blow them off the water."

Mr. May said that 'Congress will support a declaration of war now if Japan moves southward."

He said the American people were more angry with Japanese than with Chancellor Adolf Hitler, adding that "if American planes are used to guard the Burma road, they could also be used to bomb Tokyo. That would be guarding the Burma road, wouldn't it?" concluded Mr. May.—United Presss.

Japanese Said Moving Toward Kra Isthmus

London, Dec. 2.

Information reaching non-British quarters from the Far East yesterday indicated the possibility that Japanese naval forces were moving toward the Kra Isthmus, presumably for the purpose of obtaining naval and other bases in Thailand.

Indications continued to point to Thailand as the next objective if Japan continues to move southward.—United Press.

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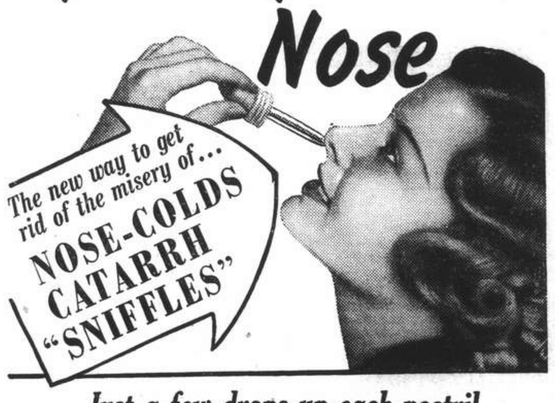

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Australia Thinks Same As Britain, U.S. Duff Cooper

Singapore, Dec. 2.

Mr. Alfred Duff Cooper, former British Minister of Information and now on a special mission to the Far East, yesterday at a press conference here discussed his recent trip to Australia and New Zealand.

He said he was "enormously" impressed by production and the unified war effort in the two countries.

Even conscientious objectors in the New Zealand Government view this war differently from the World War, said Dr. Duff Cooper.

The former Information Minister said that the World War was "imperial whereas this war is against the world's greatest evil—Nazilism."

Mr. Duff Cooper said his report to London would not be revised as result of his visit to Australia. He said he now was awaiting London's instructions and had no plans at present to visit elsewhere in the Far East.

When told that the Japanese Government was believed to be considering continuation of the Washington negotiations Mr. Duff Cooper remarked only, "I should think so."

He said that Australia definitely was opposed to any Far Eastern appeasement. He said that Australian production was greatly dependent on American machine tools and also that "Australians appear very much of the same minds as the Americans and British."—United Press.

Mail Boat Attacked By Nazi Plane

London, Dec. 2.

The Holyhead-Dublin mail boat Cambria was reported to have been unsuccessfully attacked by a Nazi torpedo-plane last night, states an Admiralty announcement quoting a Dublin report.

It was revealed that the Cambria replied with gun and machine-gun fire and the plane was last seen losing height rapidly. No casualties were reported.—Reuter.

Threatened U.S. Railway Strike Averted

Washington, Dec. 2.

The President's fact finding board yesterday announced settlement of the railway dispute, thus averting a nationwide strike scheduled to begin December 7 and affecting 1,255,000 workers.

The settlement, it was understood, provided for wage boosts of from 72 cents to US$1 daily.—United Press.

C.I.O. to Co-operate in Labour Disputes

Washington, Dec. 2.

As the House of Representatives began consideration of measures intended to prevent strikes in defence industries, representatives of 41 unions and organizing committees of the Congress of Industrial Organizations adopted a resolution pledging cooperation in the solution of labour disputes by voluntary means, and opposing all restrictive legislation.—Reuter.

Fourth Marines to Be Stationed In Manila

Manila, Dec. 2.

The United States Fourth Marines, who yesterday and today arrived here from Shanghai, will be stationed in the Manila area, naval officials announced today.

The President Madison brought 360 marines yesterday while the remainder disembarked from the President Harrison today.

The announcement represented the first official admission that the marines would be stationed in the Philippines area and it was also the first announcement in nearly two months that the Philippines were being strengthened with further American forces.

It is understood that the marines, who are used to excellent living quarters and plenty of spending money due to the favourable rate of exchange given for United States dollars in Shanghai, will be quartered in tents due to a lack of housing facilities.—United Press.

FUNERAL

Miss Margarete F. Bochow

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the Lokawei Cemetery for the late Miss Margarete Franciska Bochow, aged 25 years, with the Rev. Father Schultze of the Steyl Missions officiating. The late Miss Bochow was born in Shanghai and had endeared herself to a host of friends. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. Mercedes Bochow and a brother Mr. Otto Bochow. A beautiful cross of white and red roses from "Mummie and Otto," a cushion of white and red roses from "Auntie Elsa and Jackie and Cecil" and a heart of flowers from "Eric and Mary" were lowered into the grave with the casket. The grave was covered with other floral offerings from:—

Hans and Anne; Lucie; Valerie; Deutsches Generalkonsulat Shanghai; Deutsche Gemeinde; Die Deutsche Arbeitsfront-A. O. Landesgruppe China; Die Deutsche Arbeitsfront; Betriebsfuhrung und Gefolgschaft; Siemens China Co., Transocean News Service; Die Angestellten Des Transocean News Service; Steel Union China Co.; Siemens China Co., Sales Department Chinese Staff; Micky, Lydia and Andrew Drake; Papa Frischen, Thea Frischen, Franz, Else and Dick; Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Endaya and family; Herr und Frau Hugo Gunther; Mr. and Mrs. E. Guenter; J. V. Hourihan; Lino J. Lopes (mimeo); Norah and Jas. A. Roche; and others.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of the International Funeral Directors.

Van Mook Delays Departure for London

Batavia, Dec. 2.

Mr. H. J. Van Mook, newly-appointed Dutch Minister of Colonies, today delayed his arranged departure for London because of the increasingly grave Pacific situation, it was announced officially.

The announcement heightened tension occasioned yesterday by complete mobilization of the N.E.I. air force.—United Press.

Eva Gabor, beautiful Hungarian actress, wears a ring in Paramount's "Forced Landing" that has betn in her family for the past 150 years. She collects odd-shaped rings for a hobby.

Firecrackers Cause Mild Panic in Shanghai

A mild panic was created yesterday afternoon and early last night among residents living in the foreign areas in Shanghai when they heard what appeared to be anti-aircraft gunfire near the city. The "Gunfire," however, was nothing more than Japanese and Nanking officials celebrating the anniversary of the Nanking-Tokyo Treaty for the third day by letting off fire crackers and shooting paper parachutes and rockets into the sky over the Whangpoo river.

Crowds of people thronged the waterfront and door-steps of buildings on the Bund to watch the bursting of rockets in the sky. While they had the advantage of seeing what was really happening without knowing the exact reason, those who live well inside the foreign areas thought that anti-aircraft guns were being brought into play.

Japanese celebrants shot up their rockets and paper parachutes from either Pootung, Hongkew or boats in the river between 4.15 and 7 p.m. In a certain theatre in Broadway where celebrants were seeing a picture, some person or persons let loose a huge firecracker or bonfire mixed with firecrackers. The ensuing explosion was so big that a real panic was started among the audience, it was learned from a Chinese source.

The celebration was at its height on Sunday as far as official meetings and ceremonies were concerned. In addition to the official meeting held by officials of the Greater Shanghai Special Municipal Government, meetings celebrating the occassion were held in various theatres in Hongkew and Nantao. An essay contest was held among students in occupied areas on the subject of peace between China and Japan, Pan-Asiaism etc.

Thais Urged to Keep Money in Banks

Bangkok, Dec. 2.

Reflecting the prevailing uncertainty in Thailand resulting from the international situation, the Thailand Government through Bangkok radio last night strongly urged Thailanders to refrain from withdrawing their deposits from Thai banks.

The Government termed "unpatriotic" the increased tendency among wealthy Thailanders to transfer their holdings to foreign banks.—Domei.

Liberator Plane Makes Record Atlantic Flight

London, Dec. 2.

The fastest west-to-east crossing of the Atlantic by a Ferry Command aircraft was made by an American-built Liberator which arrived in Britain yesterday.

From take-off to touch-down, the flight took eight hours 23 minutes. The aircraft was piloted by Captain O. P. Jones, formerly well-known to British Overseas Airways passengers.

The previous fastest crossing was shared by a Liberator and a Boeing fortress, both of which made the trip in eight hours 45 minutes.—Reuter.

Children's Headaches

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Former S.M.P. Member Given Six Months' Hard Labour

CHARLES Percival Archer, a former member of the S.M.P., was sentenced to six months' imprisonment with hard labour by Judge Sir Allan G. Mossop in H. M. Supreme Court yesterday after obviating a jury trial by pleading guilty to three charges of obtaining by false pretences a diamond and onyx ring, a raincoat and $210 in cash from the manager of the Cosmo Club.

Mr. John McNeill, Crown Advocate appeared for the Crown while accused was unrepresented by counsel. In passing sentence His Lordship said to accused

"Charles Percival Archer, from the fact that you have pleaded guilty to these charges of false pretences, a course which, having regard to the evidence given against you at the preliminary hearing, I think you were wise to have taken, it would seem fair to infer that you have taken time to consider your position and that you have come to regret your criminally dishonest and exceedingly stupid conduct. An unpleasant duty has been forced upon the Court of having to inflict punishment on a young man in your position.

"It is to be hoped most sincerely, that you would determine that when you leave prison you would follow an honest path in the future and make yourself a respectable citizen once more. I would take into consideration the fact that you have already been in custody for some time and pass sentence of six months' imprisonment with hard labour in respect of each of these three charges, the terms to run concurrently."

Only Three Charges Selected

An interested spectator in court was Mr. John Gadsby, former legal adviser to the British Embassy in Tokyo, who recently was admitted to practice before the Supreme Court here. Mr. McNeill stated that there were additional charges mentioned in the lower Court and asked if accused desired to have taken into consideration. Counsel pointed out that he had selected only three of the charges.

Asked if he had anything to say as to why sentence should not be passed upon him accused desired that the Court take into consideration the fact that the other charges had not been brought forward. The specific charges preferred against Archer were:

That he at Shanghai on August 9, 1941, with intent to defraud had obtained from Mr. J. R. Weerapulli, a jeweller, a diamond and onyx ring by pretending that a cheque which he produced and delivered was then a good and valid order for payment of $875 and that he, then had authority to draw the cheque for payment upon the Chartered Bank.

That he at Shanghai on August 9, 1941, with intent to defraud obtained from an employee of Hall & Holtz, a raincoat, by falsely pretending that a cheque which he produced and delivered was a good and valid order for payment of $195 and that he then had authority to draw the cheque upon the Chartered Bank.

That he at Shanghai on August 10, 1941, with intent to defraud obtained from the manager of the Cosmo Club the sum of $210 in money by falsely pretending that a cheque which he produced and delivered was a good and valid order for payment of 500 and that he then had authority to draw the cheque upon the Chartered Bank.

Jury Thanked by Court

Accused briefly pleaded guilty to each charge read out to him. In reply to His Lordship he said he had been in custody since November 8. Addressing the fifteen members of the jury summoned to attend, His Lordship thanked them for their presence after they had answered to their names. His Lordship added that their services as jurymen would not be required and announced that they were at libery to return to their respective offices.

Lubrication Talk Heard by Society Of Engineers

Mr. H. G. B. Perry read a paper entitled the "Science of Lubrication" at the meeting of the Engineering Society of China held on Monday.

The lecturer dealt with theory and pointed out that whereas mechanism is essential for the utilization or control of all energy for performing useful work, the imperfections of our methods resulted in the loss of much energy required to overcome friction between metallic surfaces.

It was pointed out that lubrication is necessary to sustain motion because of the impedence of "inertia and frictional resistance of the air." "indeed electrical currents" and "friction between rubbing surfaces."

The nature of friction and the factors of cohesion and surface contamination influencing such were discussed in an earlier lecture, it being deduced from same that frictional resistance divided by the normal weight equals co-efficient of friction.

Solid and Rolling Friction

Solid and rolling friction and the laws and theory pertaining to same were also previously discussed, it being stated that there was no relationship between cohesion and viscosity. Factors affecting the viscosity of lubricants were dealt with as were also the shearing stresses set up in plastic friction thus leading to consideration of the theory of lubrication as distinguished from solid friction which was the lecturer's subject last evening.

In this he pointed out that the engineer seldom has to deal with unlubricated surfaces and is chiefly concerned with the transference of energy and its possible application at some distant point with the minimum loss and showed how this involves the pressing together of relatively moving surfaces and their siding over each other at high velocities necessitating the keeping of same apart through the medium of a lubricant and so preventing, or rather minimizing wear and tear, power consumption, etc.

Examples illustrating losses by friction in steam engines and machines were given and showed clearly how the operating costs of an industrial plant can be influenced by lubrication.

Theory of Lubrication

In developing the theory of lubrication, prefaced as it was by a history of research, the speaker explained that whereas high speed lubrication is based upon the premises that a lubricant performs in virtue of its viscosity and density, low speed or static friction of lubricating surfaces permits consideration only of those conditions which seem of importance and may be supported by experimental data.

It was shown that lubrication falls into three categories, i.e., stationary, low speed and high speed; and consideration by mathematic equation and illustration of the following factors (a) influence of film thickness, (b) co-efficient of friction (c) plastic friction and (d) superficial tension was gone into at great length.

"Oiliness" of Lubricants

"Oiliness" or slipperyness of a lubricant in relation to its viscosity was also explained and illustrations of bearing surfaces greatly magnified showed that what appears to the sense of touch and visually to be very smooth surfaces, are actually as rugged as mountain ranges and requires of the lubricant such characteristics as will enable it to fill all the crevices and build up a fluid layer that will not only keep them apart but will enable them to slide over each other with a minimum of effort or power.

Thus, size, speed, temperature, load and method of application must all be considered, and fortunate are engineers, mechanics, and would-be mechanics, that the manufacture of lubricants, theory of their design and scope of application has been shouldered by the petroleum technologist so that to-day—the wayfaring man, whatever his need in the way of something to make the wheels go round, need only consult his local marketer of lubricants or, in some cases, his general store, in order to get his needs supplied, whether they be for the lubrication of his scientific instruments his electric clock, sewing machine, motor car, railroad locomotive steamship cine-camera and projector, or any other of his multitudinous requirements.

Interesting Lecture

More than ever before lubrication looms as probably the most important adjunct to industrial progress for without it, the most advanced designs of the mechanical engineer on land, on the sea or in the air are brought to naught if he has not the lubricant, or that lubricant fails.

The lecture was a most absorbing one illustrated by numerous excellently rendered pictures, diagrams and tables and anyone desiring to pursue the subject further would be well advised to consult the lecturer.

Thomas Says U.S. Can Save Pacific Situation

Washington, Dec. 2.

Senator Elbert D. Thomas, Democrat of Utah and Far Eastern expert, yesterday said that a firm stand by the United States can save the Oriental situation.

"If the United States stands firm," he said, "there may be enough strength therein to save the situation, because every other nation interested in the whole Pacific area logically and consistently is standing with us.

"That brings so much pressure on Japan that it almost is the equivalent of war." Senator Thomas said. "I believe the Japanese will see this as the world sees it and that peace in the Orient will be saved by the wise leadership of America."—United Press.

S.M.C. to Discuss H.C.L.; Drastic Petrol Cut Today

Important questions related to the Council's economic campaign will be discussed at the meeting today of the S.M.C., including the flour situation and resumption of normal flour exports. The sale of flour stocks held in Pootung godowns to bona fide consumers is continuing in full swing. 10,000 bags having been made available.

The transportation problem was aggravated yesterday when it was ascertained that from December 1, existing ration cards covering petrol supplies from service and filling station pumps will be valid for only 50 per cent. of the net December allotment. Service and filling station operators have been instructed to adjust all ration cards when next presented for supplies. Deliveries into tanks at customers' premises would be subject to similar reduction, and no applications would be considered for increased allotment. An advertisement to this effect from the A.P.C., Standard Vacuum Oil Co., Texas Company and the Kwang Wha Petroleum Co., is appearing elsewhere in this issue.

Doctors' Allowances Not Cut

The Standard Vacuum Oil Company has also drawn attention of their customers to the fact that all allotments for passenger cars would immediately be reduced 50 per cent. except for diplomatic service. Doctors and ambulances' allotments will remain unchanged, but they would be required to present to the company their cards as soon as possible, for identification marks to be placed on them. No card will be reduced to give a net figure below eight gallons.

Trucks have their allotment of petrol reduced 30 per cent. and filling station operators have been instructed upon the next presentation of allotment cards to punch out the authorized reduction in the total gallons. Fractions would count in favour of the customer.

Wing On Company's Gesture

In connection with the local economic situation the Wing On Company yesterday notified the establishment of a new department specially detailed to keep prices in line with those prevailing in the market. The co-operation of the public was solicited to cope with the tremendous work entailed. Customers were requested to inform the company of any prices at the establishment, which they find to be non-competitive. The announcement was in keeping with the company's policy to offer goods at competitive and reasonable prices, it was stated.

Marked Drop in Gold Bar Quotations

Chinese circles note with relief the continuous drop of the price of gold bars during the past few days. Recently the price of the 10-ounce bar was once quoted at over $22,000 but now the price fluctuates round $13,000. Reports indicate that gold bar speculators work according to their reactions to the international situation. It is hinted that wealthy people who have withdrawn their money from certain foreign banks have turned their attention to gold. The bank has asked them to remain depositors at their own risk during a possible emergency period.

British Women to Leave Port Today

Embarkation of British residents will take place today, according to an announcement issued by H.M. Consulate-General. Indian passengers are to board the ss. Anhui, at Messrs. Butterfield & Swire's Wharf, French Bund, at 9 a.m. and European passengers at 11 o'clock. Embarkation proceedings must be concluded by noon.

Godown Fire Case To Resume Friday

The case against Poh Kung-ziang, proprietor of the Fargo Express Co. godown in Lane 423 Szechuen Road, which was gutted by fire on the afternoon of October 28, resulting in huge loss of property and the death of a Chinese member of the Shanghai Fire Brigade, will be resumed at the First Special District Court this Friday, it was learned yesterday.

It was also learned that goods stored in the godown had been valued at approximately $4,500,000. The loss was estimated at $2,652,000, excluding the premises that were entirely destroyed by the flames.

Incidentally, the man responsible for keeping of highly inflammable liquids in Lane 646 Bubbling Well Road is being sought by police, it is understood. It may be recalled that four lost their lives and seven were injured when a fire broke out in the lane on Saturday afternoon. Storing of liquids there was found to be illegal, but the man responsible for it had disappeared.

Damages sustained in the fire on Rue Chu Pao San could not be made known by responsible authorities yesterday when they stated that investigations were proceeding, but that no estimate of the loss could be made. The death list has risen to five, two of the victims dying in the fire and three following injuries sustained in leaping out of the burning building.

Foreigner Beaten By Strikers While Supervising Work

Mr. Albert David of 81 Jinkee Road was assaulted by five striking coolies of G. E. Marden & Co., Ltd. on the No. 7 Pontoon on the Bund at about 10.30 a.m. yesterday when he was beaten up with sticks and fists and had to go to the General Hospital for treatment. He sustained a slight injury to his head.

According to information obtained, Mr. David was supervising his coolies loading cargo on to a lighter when the striking workers of the transportation company appeared on the scene and picked an argument with Mr. David's clerk. They then assaulted Mr. David, but were arrested by two C.P.C's and brought to Central police station. They will face the First Special District Court this morning.

The assault, it was thought, had been motivated by the belief of the striking coolies that Mr. David's coolies were breaking the strike.

Another incident in connection with the Marden strike occurred at about 11:45 a.m. when some twenty former coolies of the company commandeered three trucks of the Millers Co. on the Bund and took the vehicles to Kiaochow Road where they smashed the windscreens and let the air out of the tyres.

It was learned that a certain customer of G. E. Marden & Co. had hired the trucks to remove his cargo and that the strikers resented this and used their own means to deal with the case.

Incidentally, it was reported yesterday that certain small establishments, taking advantage of the Marden strike, were charging $45 per hour instead of the usual $30.

Little Change on Labour Front

There was little change in the labour situation on the whole yesterday and the number of strikers was reported to be in the vicinity of 3,200. A Russian concern, the Advertising Art Studio at 830 Avenue Foch, was reported to have been hit by unrest among its 25 employees, who are demanding an increase of 50 per cent. in their pay.

About 200 employees of ten small silk weaving factories in Lane 25 Brenan Road struck more than two weeks, it was learned. They were still out yesterday. The workers are asking for better working conditions and a 50 per cent. increase in their wages.

A brief strike was staged by the 45 workers of the Kong Long Cloth Weaving Factory at 255 Mapei Road on Saturday morning. The factory hands, it was learned, had presented the management with a demand for a 40 per cent. increase in their wages, but resumed the same day pending negotiations with the management.

New Y.W.C.A. Premises To House Charity Bazaar

A charity bazaar is the first event scheduled to be held in the newly acquired premises of the Young Women's Christian Association at 495 Gordon Road. Opening on Saturday morning at 10 a.m., the bazaar continues for two days.

Originally the bazaar was to be held to raise funds for the 1942 budget but since the finance campaign in October met with such hearty response, going over the top by several thousands, it has been decided to devote the proceeds of this bazaar to providing warm winter clothing for the needy in Shanghai. Through its contacts with women in the factory districts, the Y.W.C.A. finds great need for winter garments among older women and young children, and special attention will be given to those over 50 and to children under six years of age.

There are at present many unemployed Chinese women, who formerly worked in factories. In order to help some of these needy women to earn a living, and at the same time provide for the making of garments to be distributed, the Y.W.C.A. has opened a temporary workshop, where a large group of unemployed women are busily engaged in cutting and sewing 3,000 padded garments. The new Y.W.C.A. premises, situated at the corner of Gorden and Connaught Roads, are being cleaned and altered for the use of the Association. The big house is admirably suited for Y.W.C.A. activities, having a large-sized assembly room, a lounge, class-rooms and offices. Formal opening will take place sometime later in the month.

Cathedral Special Christmas Appeal

In order to liquidate certain financial obligations the Trustees and Vestry of Holy Trinity Cathedral are making a special Christmas appeal to their constituency. In order to free the Cathedral from debt, CN$100,000 is required and donations may be sent to Mr. C. D. Longhurst, hon treasurer, 243 Kiangse Road.

The appeal follows:—The Trustees and the Vestry are seeking to eliminate outstanding deficits and to liquidate existing overdrafts by means of a Special Christmas Appeal. To this end, Messrs. C. D. Longhurst, G. E. Marden and H. C. B. Way, have been appointed a committee for the purpose of raising the required amount prior to the close of the current year.

The necessity for this appeal can be given quite briefly: the whole community, no less than subscribers, have shown that no sale of any of the Cathedral compound will be tolerated; the cost of upkeep and the administrative expenses are constantly rising due to the depreciation of the local currency and the continued rise in local costs; whilst income from subscribers and other sources is not increasing to a degree commensurate with the increase in expenses. The sum required to free the Cathedral from debt is approximately CN$100,000.

Donations of CN$1,000 or more qualify as "benefactions," i.e. donors' names are permanently inscribed in the Cathedral records and the donors become permament subscribers entitled to attend and vote at all meetings. Smaller donations qualify the donors as annual subscribers.

We confidently appeal to your generosity to assist us in this effort to raise the required sum of CN$100,000—which we hope may be accomplished before Christmas Day.

MADAME de Gaulle, wife of the Free French General, has advertised for a small, quiet country house in the Chilterns, conveniently near London. An elegant Frenchwoman of the serious type, Madame de Gaulle takes no part in politics, and is essentially a home-maker. She has a son aged 20 in the French Navy, and a daughter of eighteen who has been completing her studies at the French Institute in South Kensington.

Coal Merchants Guild To Assist S.M.C.

Coal merchants who are members of the Shanghai Coal Merchants Guild are required by their executives to register their ready stocks so as to help the authorities to know the quantity of coal stored here. The guild will send a report on stocks to the special committee of the Shanghai Municipal Council in charge of fuel which in turn will fix official prices.

As revealed by the Chinese press, coal merchants are determined to offer whatever help they can to the authorities by starting a system of mutual checking among themselves. If a coal merchant refuses to register his stocks or if he makes a wrong report he will be charged with hoarding and his goods are likely to be confiscated.

It is also learned that in addition to direct control effected by the authorities over numerous small exchange and cigarette shops, prices of goods sold by them are beginning to drop and what is more encouraging to the public is that executives of the guild of these shops are also doing their best to prevent profiteering. As a result, prices of goods usually sold by these shops notably those of soap have decreased. Executives of the guild are supervising activities of member merchants strictly and would report if any of them tries manipulation.

Ex-Members of S.M.P. Join S.A. Air Force

Messrs. J. D. Killingleck and A. Gammie, formerly with the Shanghai Municipal Police, have been accepted as recruits for the South African Air Force and have already commenced their training as air pupils, it was learned yesterday. The two men left Shanghai in summer.

Advice to this effect was received by Mr. P. D. G. Grain, Honorary Trade Commissioner for the Union of South Africa in Shanghai, from the O. C. Recruiting Section S.A.A.F. The two men, states the letter, were both fit and had no difficulty in passing their flying medical examination.

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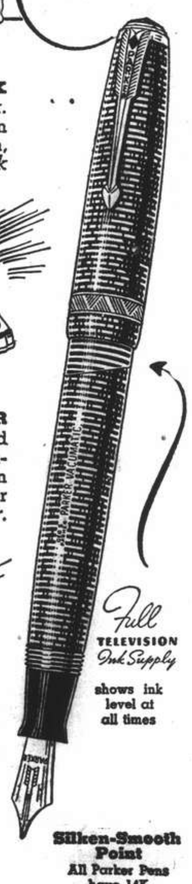

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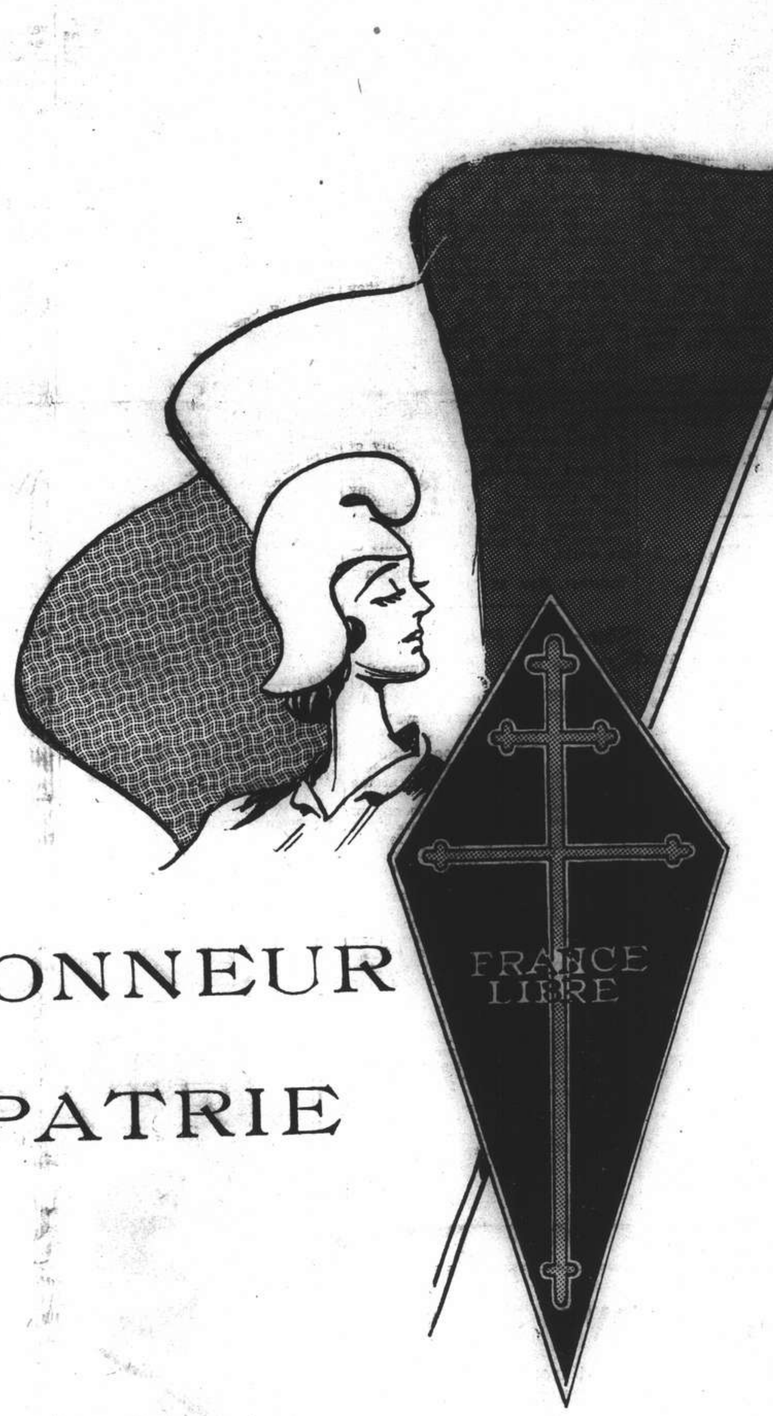

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The following wire was received from General de Gaulle and published in the North-China Daily News on December 1, 1941:

"General de Gaulle" wishes to thank the promoters of the Fund and the subscribers to the Fund for their generosity, and for this signal mark of appreciation for the sympathy with the common cause of which Free Frenchmen all over the world believe themselves to be a part.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Soviet Films:

French Concession Ban

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—In order to preserve "peace and order" in the Concession Soviet pictures will not be shown in the French Concession any more, announced an official of the French Municipal Police yesterday.

It is with a sentiment akin to stupor that I read this information on the first page of your to-day's number.

I am one of those who, from the very beginning of their appearance in Shanghai, have found a pleasure in looking at Russian pictures (I refuse to name them sovietic pictures as a fair proportion of them were historic reproductions or scientific films devoid of all propaganda, and as moreover, like their immortal Tolstoi I refuse to grant undue importance to passing political labels imposed on any nation), first at the defunct Isis theatre, under the careful "protection" of Japanese marines armed to the teeth, at a time when there was some courage, especially for Russians to be one of the audience as this mere fact was sufficient to confer, stupidly enough, a communistic reputation then later on at the Astor cinema on Avenue Edward VII and, during the last two or three years, at the Doumer cinema.

Be it said to the honour of the local Russian colony, I never witnessed the least sign of disturbance during the exhibitions of these pictures, during all this time. Only a few bursts of applause from some enthusiastic young men when Stalin or Kalinin were shown putting in an appearance at a review or some such scene. This despite the fact that Russian emigres of all political shades: white, red and "radish" colour were amongst the audience. All have always behaved, with very, very few exceptions, with perfect decorum. Political passions were left at the door. And the same can be said of the multitudes of young Chinese people and the handful of Russian-speaking foreigners who were also present.

So the excuse of preserving "peace and order "is at best a very thin one, let us say one quite devoid of sincerity.

The great majority of the spectators, of all classes in the Russian colony, went there for the innocent pleasure of looking at passages, at dances of their beloved country, to hear once more songs that were familiar to them since their tender years A yearning comprehensible enough on the part of people who have been kept out of their motherland now, for decades. And also to allow their children, born in exile, to visualize the old country, to help them remain true to it, whatever the present handicaps. I fail to see anything dangerous in that and the French Municipal Police, who have so many Russians amongst their best servants, know it better than any one else, simply because it is their business to know it.

The measure is not, therefore, a precautionary one. It is, distinctly, a slap in the face of the Russian colony, and at what time, for what reasons? Is it because Russians fight too well and the Nazi schedule is sorely out of time?

Are the French authorities fearful that the audiences be shown the portraits of Russia's fighting Marshals and Admirals, not forgetting soldiers and sailors? Is the contrast too painful when one thinks of other Marshals and Admirals who have now turned diplomats, a career for which they were not meant, in a vain effort to establish "Collaboration" with an enemy which began by writing that their country was a rotten one and translated his profound contempt in acts such as machine-gunning women, children and old people evacuating their burning villages in the same country, imposing the signature of the armistice in Foch's wagon, etc., etc.? In fact Marshals and Admirals who, untrue to the honours of all sorts heaped upon them for past services, have deposited their arms during the war. As Darlan so carefully and repeatedly recalled it to the French people "Do not forget that armistice is not peace."

And, strangely enough, not a word of this sudden and new measure in the official paper published, in the French language, in the Concession, a paper which, under its aryan editorship, seems to have achieved the remarkable result of gaining more new German readers than French for the simple reason that those last are not in the least interested by Karl Schmidt's D.N.B. telegrams as dutifully transmitted by Vichy's misinformation (or is it called "information") Bureau.

And then where is the source of inspiration for this very mean new measure? Anything to do with the recent passage through Shanghai of a well-known axis diplomat going up North? Any relation with the "New order" in Indochina?

In fact, as no explanation whatever was given, one would like to know who "bosses": actually, what may shortly be known as the "so-called" French Concession.

FRANCAIS QUAND MEME.

That Lottery:

Much Ado About Nothing

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—When I first came to this good city of Shanghai, some forty years ago, China had not yet any central financial organization. Provinces, administered by Governors and Viceroys, had to send to the Treasury of the Peking Imperial Palace an annual tribute. Further than this, they had to provide, by levying taxes, for all their current administrative and other expenses, they had also to provide funds in relief of famines caused by floods or lack of rains, for extraordinary works such as building new dykes or repairing old ones along "China's sorrow" or its competitor for cataclysms, the Yangtze river.

This will explain why, at the time, I found tickets of at least a good half-dozen provincial lotteries selling concurrently at all the exchange shops. One of the most popular of these was the Hankow Lottery started by Viceroy Chang Chi-tung, if I am not mistaken, for relief of a large-scale famine caused by floods and for building up very necessary new dykes along some parts of the Yangtze.

Some years later at least part of the urgently needed funds for the Whangpoo Conservancy Works were raised also by a lottery. These works actually solved the question of the silting up of the entrance of the river and saved the employment of thousands of coolies and working people.

At a still later date, after the 1911 revolution, the new republican Government started, in relief of damage caused throughout the country by the internal war and also of famines and inundations that had happened meanwhile, the big national lottery that ceased to sell its tickets after the beginning of the still unclosed "incident".

During all these years millions have bought these lottery tickets, not so much because part of the proceeds were returned to the subscribers under the form of money prizes, but rather as a voluntary contribution to what they judged worthy objects and in answer to the call of their authorities. And I never heard, till a short time ago, these people insulted (there is no other word for it) with the opprobrious epithet of "gamblers", assimilated to those who spend nights gambling at roulette or other hazard games, with those who, on the race track or on the exchange, will risk and often lose all their means and those of their families in a few hours' time. The assimilation is simply preposterous.

I have personally known many of the most outstanding missionaries of all creeds, during these forty years. I do not remember, till a short time ago, any of these men publicly reproaching their flocks for having contributed to worthy causes through parting with a few of their hard-earned dollars in exchange for a few lottery tickets.

And now, since the matter has been reopened in your correspondence columns through the publication of Mr. T. Z. Sun's letter, may I ask why all these accusations about gambling with regard to charity lotteries, this talk about tainted money regarding money used to relieve hunger and cold, to care for old, invalid or diseased indigent people? Is a new brand of Christianity being preached contemporaneously with the installation of a New Order? Have some people, by virtue of their special creed, been endowed with a monopoly for interpreting morality and Christianity?

Out of two possible motives a wish to participate in a good cause and a wish to make easy money is it christianlike to impute the worst one to all those who do not happen to see things through your own moral eyes? Is this tolerant and broadminded, or the contrary?

Is trying to force on this modern and international community, on this generous community, restraints to their generosity through imposing centuries-old and debatable legal decisions (why not, at the same time, the astronomical and medical notions in vogue at the time?) working for the good of Christianity? Why, at all, introduce religion and Christ in a debate of this kind, in a vain effort to prop up unconvincing arguments? Since when has changeable law become immortal morality?

And why this animosity specially aimed at the Loterie Française de Bienfaisance? Has the so-called "tainted" money obtained through it done too much good in the hands of Father Jacquinot and his devoted Committee during four years? Is it actually doing too much good in the various hospitals and hospices to which it is distributed for the peace of the Christian minds of some reverend gentlemen? Have the Lottery Committee limited their distribution of funds to any particular creed when also Buddhists, and this very rightly, profit by them?

Have not doctrinarianism, intolerance and narrow-mindedness always been the worst enemies of religions? And why, oh why, so much ado about nothing?

G. DUPLESSIS.

Shanghai, Dec. 2.

China and the Allies:

Chinese Reader's Views

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Upon the Washington Talk and the proposed formula of Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, your paper today commented, partly in the following assuring words in the leaderette column:

> It is reported that there exists some anxiety in Chinese circles in London concerning possible developments. Why that should be the case is not clear, for it has been apparent all along that there is no question of the United States, or those Powers ranked with her changing their fundamental doctrines, and not the slightest indication of any possibility that the interests of China will be in any way betrayed. That the United States, Great Britain or the Netherlands East Indies would perpetuate such a complete *volte face* is quite inconceivable. Neither of these three Powers are in the slightest afraid of what would be the outcome should the Japanese extremists be so ill-advised as to set the Pacific in flames, and while they are prepared to go to great lengths to secure peace in this part of the world, they are not prepared in any way to do anything calculated to besmirch their honour.

When in perusal of the above, I felt that I could not be silent upon the matter. I, therefore, ask the good office of your paper to express my opinion and gratitude for the assurance thus given to us, the Chinese.

After fighting alone and almost unaided, the Chinese, at this moment, are glad to know that they have not been fighting in vain, for they have now, at long last, awakened the Anglo-Saxon Powers to the grim reality of the tense situation in the Pacific and the fact that there is no limit to the lust for conquest and aggrandizement on the part of the Japanese militarists. Not only are the very interests of the democratic countries in China threatened but their position in Singapore and elsewhere are thus endangered as well. In order to save their own skin, they now must be stiff to the Japanese so as to bring about a fair and just adjustment. It is indeed gratifying to learn that the United States and those Powers ranked with her have not the slightest intention of betraying China. May we, as citizens of this country, venture to add, in emphasis, that Japan should withdraw her entire force from the soil of China and that the sovereignty of this nation must not in any way be infringed upon—these are the only and essential preliminaries to any peace agreement. To have a united and strong China is a most important factor in the maintenance and preservation of peace in this part of the world.

HO FEI

Shanghai, Nov. 28.

Saturday's Fire:

Is The S.M.C. To Blame?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—The fire which occurred in Bubbling Well Road on Saturday afternoon reveals some astounding facts, in that it took place in the centre of the first row of residences immediately behind the shops on Bubbling Well Road. There are three rows of substantially built foreign style residences in the Lane, the houses are fairly large, evidently built to cater for a better class Chinese and not for businesses or factories, but amongst them are a number of business premises. That profiteering landlords, because they can get a higher rental from a business concern, than from a residence is a disgrace to the authorities for allowing it.

The premises burnt was used as a furniture polishing factory, which uses highly inflammable oils and spirits and for insurance purposes is considered as a hazardous risk and the Council never have allowed it, they cannot plead ignorance as they collect taxes direct from the occupants. This is not an isolated incidence, there are thousands of them throughout the Settlement.

SCRUTATOR.

Shanghai, Dec. 1.

BY SAPAJOU

The A.D.C. "Pirates of Penzance"

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF DECEMBER 3, 1871

One month of winter has now gone, but as yet we have heard nothing of provision being made for those among the poor Chinese, who make up at this season the inevitable category of the destitute. Before this time last winter, the energetic action of a committee of charity had provided for those in a way highly satisfactory; helping to free our streets of a prominent and disagreeable feature, and doing so in a manner that fostered real charity while it tended to diminish professional mendicancy. We believe, for the size and population of the foreign settlements, We are not greatly afflicted with beggars; but We are not altogether free, and we have a greater proportion of destitute natives than may generally be found in the town and villages of China. It has been said that Shanghai represents, to the people of China generally, a business metropolis to which the ideas of London held by provincial peasantry form a fitting parallel at home. The settlements are famed, far as well as near, for the wealth they contain, the business carried on, the industries they employ, and the profitable field they offer for labour.

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1.30 News in German
1.45 News in Russian
2.00 News in Czechoslovak (including a talk by Dr. Pravda)
2.30 Popular Dance Music
3.30 Woman and Home
4.30-7.00 Chinese Programme
7.00 Relay from the B.B.C.
7.30 English Lesson—Elementary
8.15 News in German
8.30 Kenneth Mackenzie's Request Programme—Tel: 16967
9.00 News in English
9.15 "Message to Britons on Propaganda" Talk by John Harford
9.30 "Mystery at the Mike"
10.00 Piano Duets—Rawicz, Landauer
10.15 Melodies by the Bohemians
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6.30 Chinese music.
6.35 News in Chinese (Mandarin).
6.50 Light music.
7.20 Music by Russian composers.
7.30 News in Russian.
7.45 Music by Russian composers.
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THE ANXIOUS ENEMY

Arrivals in Turkey from Germany, according to the Istanbul journal "Vatan," declare that sober-minded Germans no longer doubt that Germany has lost the war. She has not done so yet, but the events of the past few days indicate that the confidence in a victory for the Allies, which has existed even through the darkest hours, is justified and likely to be fulfilled. When the Russian armies after months of hammering, such as they have suffered all along their front, can turn upon the invaders as they have at Rostov, and inflict upon them a major defeat and force them to flee, they not only encourage the rest of the Allies, but strike a shattering blow at German *moral*. There is plenty of evidence to show that the enemy is not quite so certain as to the outcome of this war as Hitler professed to be when he started it. It comes both from Italy and Germany. With regard to Libya it is clear that the Germans expect defeat. They are fighting very stubbornly and are bent on making the Allies pay as heavily for their success as possible. But there are signs of anxiety to be perceived.

One is to be found in the declaration in the German news agency a day or so ago that the Germans and Italians in Libya were fighting an enemy superior in numbers at the ratio of ten to one. Signor Appelius, writing in Mussolini's organ "Popolo d'Italia' declared that the people of Italy were worried over the present Libyan situation, foreseeing that the nation would have to face great sacrifices before the war is over. Goebbels, breaking a somewhat lengthy silence makes an uneasy speech at the Berlin University, declaring that Germany has now a unique opportunity and asserting "We can win, we must win, we will win." Of the magnitude of the enemy effort there is not the slightest doubt, but the gallantry of the Russians, and their superb fighting qualities have during the past five months shown the world that the German military machine is not so all-powerful as the German propaganda service would have everyone believe, while the defeat of the German armies seeking to force Rostov and gain entrance to the Caucasus is as humiliating a reverse as anything which the Germans have succeeded in inflicting upon the Russians.

Indeed though they have made huge gains in territory, the Germans have up to the present completely failed to encircle and destroy the Russian armies. With all the strength they have mustered in the centre of the Russian line, they claim for the second time after many weeks to be within sight of Moscow. Some months ago they alleged they were also in sight of Leningrad. They probably do not enjoy the view now as possibly they did when they made their claim. That they continue to make some progress in the neighbourhood of the Russian capital cannot be denied. Yet it is painfully slow and made at a tragically high cost. Hitler has so definitely committed himself to the capture of Moscow that he cannot now relax his efforts without suffering a diminution in his prestige which is already considerably blown upon, and the result of this insane campaign has been the destruction of the flower of the German army, and stupendous losses in men and material.

Reports indicate that in France now the army of occupation amounts to little more than a quarter of a million, and those chiefly men of over military age. The younger men have all been sent to the Russian front. Nevertheless they have been up to the present completely unable to force a decision, and because of the enormous wastage which is occurring are increasingly unlikely to be able to do so. On the other hand Russia's vast potential man-power is being called into action. The successful counter-attack at Rostov shows of what the new levies are capable. It would be extremely foolish to regard these indices of ultimate victory as presaging that it is at all near, or that heavy sacrifices will not be necessary before it is attained. But there is justification for believing that the war machine of the Axis has received blows such as it never expected to receive, and that the Allies are now showing that not only can they win this war, but also that they will. That is realized in Rome and Berlin. Hence the anxiety.

CATHEDRAL APPEAL

On Monday there was issued on behalf of the Trustees and Vestry of Holy Trinity Cathedral an appeal for $100,000 in order to eliminate outstanding deficits, and a committee, consisting of Messrs. C. D. Longhurst, G. E. Marden, and H.C.B. Way, has been appointed for the purpose of raising the required sum before the end of the year. This appeal naturally follows upon the defeat of the proposal, earlier in the year, to sell a portion of the Cathedral property. As the committee in their circular letter state: "The necessity for this appeal can be given quite briefly: the whole community, no less than our subscribers, have shown that no sale of any part of the Cathedral compound will be tolerated; the cost of upkeep and the administrative expenses are constantly rising due to the depreciation of local currency and the continual rise in local costs; whilst income from subscribers and other sources is not increasing to a degree commensurate with the increase in expenses." It may as well be admitted that the arguments in favour of the proposal made in September last to sell a portion of the Cathedral compound appealed to quite a large number of people, though fortunately popular sentiment carried the day and preserved the property intact.

Nevertheless money has to be raised if the Cathedral is to continue to function as it should, and there is a very definite responsibility laid upon those who defeated the proposal to make sure that the finances of the Cathedral shall be maintained, and that its staff, a particularly small one, shall be fully equipped to carry on the important work which it is doing. The Cathedral serves the spiritual needs of a large community, its historic associations should endear it to all Shanghailanders, and it would be a thousand pities if its usefulness were in any way impaired by the lack of funds. The committee are not asking for a very large sum. Doubtless support will be forthcoming from those more blessed with this world's goods than the average, but it is eminently desirable that everyone, who possibly can, should contribute, for it is not only the amount that matters but the demonstration of solidarity which lengthy lists of subscribers afford.

In these days of stress and suffering the Church looms larger in the mind of the masses than during happier times. It should not be the case, but, humanity being what it is, that is what occurs. To the Church many men and women turn for comfort and inspiration in times of danger and distress, and they unfailingly find that for which they are in search. It is but natural, therefore, that the Church when it also encounters difficulties should expect assistance. If the appeal were based upon nothing higher than gratitude for services rendered the case of the Cathedral would indeed be a strong one. But there are other reasons why this movement to raise funds to clear it of debt should commend itself to subscribers. Not the least of those is that it is highly undesirable that those having the work of the church in their care should be impeded either from lack of adequate funds with which to carry on, or by the continual knowledge of the existence of a growing debt. While some people profess to believe that a church in debt is likely to be more healthy than one not so incommoded, because it tends to greater activity, there are others who insist that a church should never be indebted.

Best opinion leans towards the second view. It is realized that the number of demands which are made upon charitable purses is nowadays very great. But it must be insisted upon that this is not a plea for charity, but a request that the community which the Cathedral serves should see that it is enabled to carry on its work with the utmost efficiency. The appeal, therefore, is also based upon the duty of the people availing themselves of the services of the Cathedral, whether regularly or not, to share in the maintenance of a particularly useful institution. The sum required is not large. The community appealed to is not poverty-stricken, and it should be possible to secure the $100,000 by the end of this month. Better still if it can be raised by Christmas, for it would afford a timely means of recognizing the great value of the Cathedral workers' efforts, and at the same time demonstrate public appreciation of what has been done in the past, and what will be possible in the future once the Cathedral is free of debt. It is for these reasons that readers are earnestly requested to respond to the appeal as liberally as possible, eliminate outstanding deficits and place the Cathedral's finances on a sound footing. Members of the Church of England, and others who avail themselves of the Cathedral owe it to themselves that Holy Trinity should be relieved of the indignity of debt, and that the institution should stand freed of all encumbrance.

When Waste Begins

The point at which German prodigality in men and materials ceased to be sound military strategy and became criminal waste in fighting this war will be determined by historians, but there can be little doubt that it has nearly been reached today. The strategy of the *Blitzkrieg*, of a short, sharp war in which heavy losses are later compensated by enormous national gains, worked well for the Nazis in western Europe where, after a few weeks of brief and costly campaigning, the High Command was able to sit back and exploit the results of victory by increasing the strength of the Reich militarily and economically, so as to make success in the next move in their view a virtual certainty. From June 1940 to June 1941 the Germans built up an enormous store of munitions of war, using the resources of the occupied countries, their labour, and their wealth to fashion an even greater war machine than they had previously possessed, and plundering the granaries of the defeated so as to strengthen their economic defences. There can be little doubt that this pause to collect and increase the power of the Nazis was inspired by the knowledge that sooner or later Germany would have to fight Soviet Russia, if her dream of world empire was ever to be realised. Immediately after the collapse of France and the loss of most of her own equipment in the fields of Flanders, Britain was not strong enough to call for such gigantic preparations on the part of a possible invader, and time, as the Germans well knew, could only enable the British to renew their depleted stores, train more and more men into a compact and efficient army, and to employ the streams of supplies which *were* only then beginning to reach her in quantities from the nations of the Commonwealth and from the United States. The planned invasion of Britain did not demand such enormous stocks of every conceivable war material as the Nazis laid up for themselves in the year following the French debacle. They could only have been intended for use in what was hoped would be a quick knock-out blow against Russia, which, Hitler believed, would leave him free to concentrate his attention on the elimination of the British Empire from the struggle, and leave the way clear for an eventual attack upon the western hemisphere. The German High Command learnt in the last war that even a defeated Russia can be a heavy burden upon German man-power. More than a million men had then to be kept on the eastern front, even after the peace of Brest-Litovsk, when they were badly needed against Italy and France. How much more so would the existence of an unbroken Russian army, admittedly one of the most powerful in the world, call for the stationing of a huge force in eastern Germany and Poland, even though Berlin and Moscow were bound by a treaty of friendship and non-aggression? Unfortunately for the Nazis, this intention was as thoroughly understood in Moscow as it was in the secret places of the German General Staff, and when Hitler struck, he found a plan prepared which was calculated, as so far has succeeded, to prevent a quick Nazi victory. For five months now the Nazis have been flinging men and tanks in colossal numbers against the Russians, and have been losing fantastically. Unlike in western Europe these all-cut tactics have not had the anticipated result. The Russians have been driven back, and inspite of the efficiency of their scorched earth policy, have been forced to leave valuable materials which the Germans, could they win, would be able to exploit still further to increase their power. But can they win? Every day their chances grow less and less. The price in blood and equipment they have been forced to pay has so far bought them nothing by which they can profit. So long as their whole energies are being expended in defeating the Russians, they cannot spare the man-power or the time to develop those parts of Soviet territory which have already fallen into their hands. A few weeks ago Hitler said of the Russians: "No army on earth can recover from their losses." His statement may now be turned against his own armies. Can they recover? Only if they win a complete and unconditional victory—and that they are never likely to do in Russia.

STRAY NOTES

Shanghai, Nov. 10.—Back in Shanghai after my lazy voyage through the southern seas, and faced at once with various problems which had arisen during my absence. The much-flooded garden was still in course of "raising"—looking a complete wreck—a near-typhoon had destroyed a lot of trees, and the old Magpies' nest was almost ruined: the birds which once greeted my appearance each morning with a cheery call had transferred their affections to other gardens. And so I had to try and piece together all that had happened during my absence from my own little world.

Birds are curious things, and in spite of all the trouble they take to make a safe home for their offspring, they leave their nests to be dealt with by the elements as they will, and start afresh next Spring. But not so the Magpie. My old friend Maggie (not to mention her spouse, Father) had come home one day to find their nest all but destroyed: Father took a look and stropped his bill on a branch to show his displeasure—which is proper Magpie behaviour. But Maggie went into transports of anger—if I may believe the evidence of my own wife who was present when the trouble occurred. Maggie just let herself go....and apparently the whole root of the trouble was poor old Father, who was blamed for everything which had happened—typhoon and all. In vain Father pleaded his innocence. Maggie had it all doped out that he was the party responsible....and although I cannot vouch for the accurate translation of the bird-language used, I am sure that the expression "big loafer" loomed largely in the conversation: my wife admits that Father took it well and did not give any provocative back-answers. However this may be, the fact remains that this most interesting pair of Magpies decided that the old site was no use—(I could have told them that years ago, but did not know how to do it): so since early September they have been collecting sticks and building a new apartment for use next Spring when the new family of black and white rascals will be sent out into the country. I cannot answer for Magpies....but I have a general idea that their slogan is "Why worry?"—E.S.W.

THE ATROCIOUS NAZIS

Speaking in the House of Commons on September 30, the Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, said:—

"When I learned about the absolutely frightful and indescribable atrocities which German police troops are committing upon the Russian population in the rear of the advance of their armoured vehicles the responsibility of the British Government to maintain here at home an ample first-class force to beat down and annihilate any invading lodgements from the sea, or descents from the air, comes home to me in significantly ugly and impressive form."

Here are some of the atrocities being perpetrated daily:—

Prisoners Tortured and Beaten

Moscow, Dec. 1.

The correspondent of "Pravda" writes: Two trucks with wounded Red Army men were proceeding in the Ukraine and stopped in the steppe. Three German motorcyclists approached the machines, drained the fuel tanks, drenched the wounded with benzine and set them on fire. The brutes took special pleasure in looking from a distance at the sight of the men writhing in their agony. Similar facts are countless. Representatives of the German command themselves incite their men and officers to brutal maltreatment of wounded Red Army men. They circulate secret orders instructing them not to render aid to the wounded and to shoot war prisoners.

Near Berislav on German seized territory our wounded men lay in the field for three days, and stretcher-bearers indifferently passed by. Local peasants picked them up and brought them to hospital. But even then the wounded Soviet soldiers were placed not in a hospital but in peasant barns.

Col. Kress commander of the 19th German mountain rifle regiment writes: "Hitherto the German soldiers did not exterminate all captured and wounded. But the longer the war continues the more brutally we shall wage it. We shall ferret out all who officially or by their behaviour were Bolsheviks." Hitler's flunkies outdo themselves in their humiliations over the wounded and war prisoners, inventing the most horrible tortures.

Two kilometres south of Akimovka in the Melitopol region an automobile carrying two wounded Red Army men accompanied by an assistant surgeon, a woman, was attacked by the Germans. They raped the woman after which they shot her. Then the brutes broke the arms of the wounded prisoners and shot them too. At the road sides of the Ukrainian steppes, in ravines and vegetable plots one can see corpses of tortured soldiers Red Army men with gouged eyes, and red stars cut on their foreheads. Captured Soviet soldiers are driven from one camp to another and are forced to run several kilometres without rest. Stragglers are shot. Prisoners are immediately shorn of their greatcoats, personal belongings, boots, sweaters, cigarette cases and even combs. In many places despite the cold weather with snow and piercing wind the Germans keep prisoners in the open.—Tass.

Rape of the Women

Moscow, Dec. 1.

Maria Ivanovna V., who had escaped from Fascist captivity related: "The Germans entered our village at night. Four officers came into my house. They put on the light and started to search. They turned everything upside down took with them high boots and warm underwear and clothing. Then they ordered me to prepare supper. I hoped to take advantage of this and escape but they caught me in the yard and dragged me back to the house. I cannot tell what happened after. Later on I learned that similar fate befell many women and girls of our village. Even school girls did not escape from raping. The majority of raped women and girls soon disappeared from the village.

Throughout the night the Germans pillaged, raped and killed our people. It is impossible to describe what was going on. All grain, vegetables, warm clothing, cattle and poultry were taken away. In the course of the day these brutes combed all neighbouring villages in similar fashion.

On the fourth day they held a meeting at Soikino. They drove to the square all men and women who survived and ordered them to undertake to help the German command to combat guerillas. The farmers, however, turned deaf ear both to persuasion and threats. Nobody consented to help the enemy whereupon a German officer began to call out the people one by one included in the list he had and compelled them to sign some kind of a paper. Those who refused to sign were shot on the spot. Thereafter not a single day passed without somebody being shot or hanged. I saw all this with my own eyes and could bear this nightmare no longer. I resolved to escape at any cost. I said to myself "I shall rather die than live under the Germans."—Tass.

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Her figure is harder to ignore than a ringing telephone.

He's as out of place as an electric razor at a Harlem picnic.

He's such a pessimist he would look for bones in animal crackers.

You look like a Palm Beach suit that's been out in the rain.

She's so thin she could go through a flute without striking a note.

We've had so many messes in our family that we have a mop on our coat of arms.

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What the Glass Foretells

To the millions of readers who have written to Old Moore Gubbins in the "Sunday Express asking him when the war will end, the honest old fool, looking through the bottom of an up-turned glass in the blackout, has to confess that he doesn't know.

Despite his undoubted talents for predicting future events (didn't he forget to tell you about Russia?), he is inclined to agree with Sir Hubert Gough, who wrote in the Glasgow "Daily Record":—

"It is impossible to forecast with definite accuracy the future course of the war for the good and sufficient reason that its course will be dictated by the successes and victories of one side or the other."

Old Moore Gubbins can't improve on that because he feels that it is the only sensible thing that has been said about the war so far.

Nevertheless, lucky days this week are:—

Today—for eating and drinking if you can find anything to eat or drink.

Tomorrow—for drinking and eating if you can find anything worth drinking or eating.

Friday—for buying and selling if you have any money or can find somebody else with some.

The rest of the week—the usual shortage of eggs and cigarettes.

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Mrs. Richardson-Foyn Annex Mixed Doubles Duck Pin Bowling Championship

FREDDY Foyn and Mrs. Richardson, both of the Foreign Y.M.C.A. yesterday annexed the Mixed Doubles Bowling Championship title, when they bowled a combined triple of 580 to ward off the challenge from Mrs. Collaco and Tom Butler who finished second, 15 pins behind their total pinfall of 1833.

Third were Mrs. Kops and Leo Hilden who took the lead in the opening round at the Columbia Country Club, while Miss Picozzi and Hazzard jumped from seventh place to fourth in the final standings.

Noteworthy indeed was the performance of George Swan who rolled a single of 150, tying Freddy Foyn's high effort at the American Club. Swan had a total of three strikes and three spares in his game. He would have beaten the mark had he not obtained a bad three count on his last spare. His triple of 355 was the highest yesterday.

The bowling, apart from Swan's single, did not reach exceptional heights, although many men bowlers passed the 300-triple mark.

Foyn Bowls Steadily

Foyn bowled steadily yesterday, for a 322 triple picking up some difficult setups in a beautiful manner. He missed only one setup throughout the three games, and had hard luck with many undeserved splits. His partner was not up to par, bowling under the 90's, but did not endanger their winning position.

Mrs. Collaco and Butler who were the second favourites for the title bowled a triple of 583, three pins better than Mrs. Richardson and Foyn, but were too far behind after the second round to catch up yesterday. Butler had some hard luck in his second game, after he bowled a 101 in the first game and a 121 in the second.

Mrs. Kops and Hilden finished three pins behind Butler and Mrs. Collaco with 1815, while Miss Picozzi and Hazzard were fourth with 1796. Thanks to the excellent bowling of Swan, the Swan-Swan pair moved up to fifth place from eighth, while Mrs. Elliot and Kew dropped to tenth, and Mrs. Bowern with Pote-Hunt stayed in sixth berth.

Nineteen Couples Finish

Nineteen couples finished the Championship, three having dropped out in the second and last rounds of play.

High honours in this round fell to Freddy Foyn and George Swan for their singles of 150, to Freddy Foyn for his 391 record-tying triple, and Miss Sobel for her marks of 128 and 315.

Although it is expected that many of these marks will be passed in the doubles and singles play, it is doubtful whether the triple of 39 will be passed this year.

Following are the complete standings:—

Mrs. Richardson	84	87	87	258	
Foyn	108	93	121	322	1833
Mrs. Collaco	88	90	90	268	
Butler	101	87	127	315	1818
Mrs. Kops	85	79	79	243	
Hilden	115	104	117	336	1815
Miss Picozzi	105	96	107	308	
Hazzard	95	98	106	299	1796
Mrs. Swan	86	91	88	265	
Swan	98	150	107	355	1776
Mrs. Bowern	84	86	81	251	
J. O. Pote-Hunt	94	101	100	295	1752
Mrs. Mills	83	110	83	276	
Huggett	102	100	113	315	1743
Mrs. Sobel	94	80	79	253	
Inwood	91	95	107	293	1738
Mr. Kwok	97	103	87	287	
Kwok	78	82	83	243	1734
Mrs. V. Elliot	79	86	94	259	
L. C. Kew	103	98	90	291	1709
Mrs. Ferguson	74	85	86	245	
Watton	105	107	120	332	1695
Miss Nichols	91	90	101	282	
Peace	89	88	97	274	1692
Mrs. Whyte	77	77	90	244	
Whyte	87	105	83	275	1644
Mrs. Hale	91	103	84	278	
Hale	84	97	106	287	1629
Mrs. Saphiere	84	81	100	265	
Saphiere	92	86	85	263	1611
Miss Richardson	91	80	85	256	
Zeleniak	111	82	98	291	1606
Miss Markitant	85	78	87	250	
Lorenzen	[illegible]	85	96	265	1505
Mrs. Needa	78	84	81	243	
Xavier	80	89	80	249	1571
Mrs. Eisenhut	74	78	85	237	
Eisenhut	91	88	99	278	1548

Best Scores Made In Title Play

Men's High Single

Freddy Foyn	150
George Swan	150

Men's High Triple

Freddy Foyn	391

Ladies' High Single

Mrs. Sobel	128

Ladies' High Triple

Mrs. Sobel	315

Soccer Sidelights

The most important football match of the season drew the largest crowd of the season to the Race Course on Saturday afternoon when the S.M.P., last season's champions came out of their drowsiness to score a well earned win over their much fancied opponents—the S.F.X. The policemen, on the whole, were worthy of their victory, as almost every player gave his best in a game that may yet have its effect on the final issue in the First Division. Crook, who was given his first captaincy of the team, proved his worth in the match by keeping Jimmy Ward well in check, with the result that the S.F.X. centre-forward who, up to then, had scored nineeen goals in six games, could do nothing to help his side. Victal and Woodley proved to be the better back combination on the field and gave sterling performances, as did the wing halves, Stangaard and Roliz. In the forward line, Sammy Greenberg proved a good leader and kept the line on the move continually.

The disappointment of the Police forward line was Willie Ward, who missed several opportunities to score when put through by his colleagues. He missed no less than four times in the first half—a record for a player who is known for his consistent good play. C. Chooklantzeff again demonstrated that he was the city's most dangerous left wing. His speed and opportunism were well displayed, particularly when it is taken into consideration that he was up against the League's best back in the person of George Collet.

The victory was made sweeter by the fact that the Saints fielded their strongest line-up, with Honniball back on the team. Yet something went wrong in the forward line and F. Edwards and Ivanow were nearly half as good as they were in their other games.

With Jimmy Ward bottled up, Petterrsson and Freddy Foyn tried hard to break through, but both found the Police defence ready to meet any emergency. In the defence, Meyer Greenberg, was the hardest worker and spoiled many a Police movement.

The French Forces created a minor sensation when they defeated P.T.H. by the odd goal in three on Saturday. Taking the game on the whole, neither side deserved to win, for both were playing mediocre football and only the French rally in the second half, with Heloyan more brilliant than ever, saved it from being one of the most uninteresting matches of the season. Much was said about P.T.H. before the beginning of the season, but they have shown up poorly, winning but two matches out of six, and their chances—even to be among the first three—appear slim now.

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All the Skottowe Cup matches were washed out by the rain, but the series will be renewed this weekend. The winners of the two encounters should be Lusitano and J.R.C. Both have drawn weak opponents in their games. Although the French Police boast of several old A.S.F. players, one doubts if they can overcome the Jewish defence. Roboostoff, playing for the lawkeepers, is not the man who thrilled Shanghai with pretty football some years ago and has none of the support given him by the former A.S.F. players.

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With the International Cup series only ten days away, it would be interesting to see how the teams are being elected. So far it is known that seventeen players have been chosen as candidates for Russia. They are Bocevich, Golkin, Nastavin, Sesko, Caro, Tivoniuk, Savine, Piankoff, Velgus, C. Chooklantzeff, Novgorodoff, Karolitch, Roboostoff, Kapustin, Ivanow, Antipieff and Gallunas. Three of them are from Sokol, three from P.T.H., one from S.F.X., three from S.M.P., three from R.A.D., three from French Police, and one from S.R.C. The following team appears to be the strongest: Bocevich, Golkin, Nastavin, Tivoniuk, Caro, Savine (F.M.P.), Ivanow, Kapustin, Roboostoff or Karolitch, Novgorodoff and C. Chooklantzeff.

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France should be able to put out a strong International team: Levy would be our choice for the goalkeeper's position, Roussel and Collet as backs, Segalen, Pecquery and Vinh in the half-line, and Sbath, Sinh, Heloyan, Bossuet and Osselame in the forward line.

It is rumoured that the elder Levy and Jacob are planning to play for J.R.C. again....Palestine should be able to enter semi-finals with ease, having drawn Scandinavia in the first round. Their line-up will include Meyer Greenberg and Sammy Greenberg....Sokol has lost another player. Velgus, their right half who was making such progress, has joined the R.A.D. and will now play for them.

Beavers to Meet Duke in Rose Bowl

New York, Dec. 2.

Undefeated and untied Duke University today was selected to meet Oregon State, winner of the Pacific Coast Conference, in the grid classic of the season—the Rose Bowl game at Pasadena, California, on New Years Day.

Duke defeated such teams as Wake Forest, Tennessee, Georgia, Colgate, Pittsburgh, North Carolina and Maryland while Oregon State won from Stanford, University of Southern California, Oregon, University of California and Idaho.

Fordham will play missouri at the Sugar Bowl game in New Orleans, Louisiana, on New Years Day.

In the Cotton Bowl game at Dallas Texas, the Texas aggies face Alabama, while in the Orange Bowl at Miami, Florida, Georgia will probably meet Texas University. Both of the games will be New Years Day.

In Miami it was announced that Texas Christian had accepted a bid to meet Georgia U., in the Orange Bowl game.

In Forth Worth, Texas, Athletic Director Howard Grubbs confirmed acceptance of the invitation but said he did not know where the game would be played.—United Press.

Bob Musick Rambles Through for a Gain

Southern California staged a story-book finish, scoring a touchdown in the last seventeen seconds of their game against Oregon State who they defeated 13-7 before 45,000 hysterical fans. During the second quarter, with Warren Simas neatly blocked out of play, Trojan Bob Musick rambled his right end for eight yards and a first down. Prone on the ground in the above picture are Trojans Dick Manning (No. 32) and Ron Thomas.

C.S.F. Blue and White Teams Score Decisive Victories in Ladies Doubles Badminton

By Bill Funk

THE ladies of the Cercle Sportif Francais got off to a flying start in the Ladies Doubles badminton league last night when their Blue and White aggregations swept through the little opposition that was provided by their respective opponents—Betar and S.M.C. Girls—to win 9-0. Thus the first round of this section of the shuttle game opened last night in a quite and eventful manner with the favourite teams justifying early predictions.

Although the Betar, a newly formed squad, were decisively defeated by the Blues it must be conceded that, notwithstanding their comparative inexperience, they put up a good showing. Especially conspicuous for them was F. Gabriel, who partnered E. Veinerman in the third couple, and C. Hanin, who was coupled with H. Hayward as the lead-off pair.

The newcomers fought unflaggingly but they were up against more experienced opponents. The losers' services were not equal to the situation while their backhand returns were glaringly weak and such returns offered easy openings for the opposition to it on the shots Besides, they lacked decisiveness in their net and drop shots which frequently failed to hit the mark. F. Gabriel was the most steadfast in her control and played sound doubles throughout the match.

The winners, especially Miss Tavares and Mrs. Trolle, settled down from the very start, and once they were in stride the greater sharpness of their strokes gave them the upper hand which they never relinquished. The French aces walked off the floor without meeting any kind of opposition.

The other encounter between the C.S.F. 'Whites' and the S.M.C. Girls' team proved to be another one-sided affair. The French 'Whites' definitely took command of the situation and smothered the Chinese girls without losing a set.

Mrs. Jorgensen and Mme. des Courtils were especially brilliant on the court exhibiting some marvellous dropshots to the far end corner of the net that had the girls on the run time and again. Moreover, the French champion-smashed with finality while Mrs. Jorgensen's answer was her accurate high lobs to the baseline that frequently caught the Chinese couple unaware. On the whole the French line-up swept through without encountering much difficulty although the S.M.C. players fought back fiercely in a fruitlers attempt.

Today's Games

Three matches in the Men's doubles are due to be played this evening with the Country Club opposing the C.S.F. 'Whites', the C.S.F. 'Blues' encountering the Flying Shuttles No. 2. and the final meeting will see the Shuttles No. 1 against the Ellis Kadoorie boys. The Shuttles No 1 should prove too good for the Kadoorie squad and the champions should race through to win with every certainty. The French 'Whites' will repeat the same process by annexing the second encounter with comparative ease when they take the floor against the Country Club, although the English Club's third couple may provide an upset. Undoubtedly, the C.S.F. 'Blues' and the Shuttles No. 2 clash will take the spotlight this evening for the two line-ups are evenly-matched. The Shuttles No. 2 first couple of Yong-Cheung should find no trouble when they make their appearance against Arnvig-Forbes. Meanwhile, the French second team-up of Flood and Saul are favoured to take three sets against the Chinese second line-up, while the strength of the third couples will decide the final encounter. On the face of things, the French 'Blues' are slightly better and should win by a narrow margin.

The final results of yesterdays matches follow:—

Betar 0, C.S.F. 'Blues' 9

C. Hanin and H. Hayward lost to Miss Tavares and Mrs. Trolle 3-15, 4-15, 4-15.

Sarah Gourevitch and Mrs. Fay Mayo lost to Mrs. Cate and Mrs. Krenov 1-15, 0-15 and 6-15.

F. Gabriel and E. Veineiman lost to Mme Jourdan and Mme Mingant 4-15, 4-15, 7-15.

C.S.F. 'White' 9, S.M.C. Girls 0

Mme des Courtils and Mrs. Jorgensen beat Misses Chiang and Hsu 15-0, 15-1 and 15-5.

Mrs. Meise and Mme. Hegar beat Susie Pan and Suzanne Chang 15-4, 15-11, 15-5.

Mme Chapman and Miss Krahmaleff beat Diana Juy and Doris Ip 15-9, 15-4 and 15-3.

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St. George's Ladies Beat St. Andrew's in Inter-Society Golf

The recent defeat of the Royal Society of St. George at the hands of the St. Andrew's Society was avenged when the ladies of the English organization triumphed by three-quarters of a point, defeating their Scotch adversaries by 3¼-2½ last Sunday.

Mrs. Mann contributed greatly towards the succes of the St. George's side by scoring one and a quarter points; one point for a win and quarter of a point for the bye. The British victory was seriously endangered when Mrs. McLean nullified this advantage by also scoring full points.

Mrs. Burton, as expected, come through with a win for St. Andrews.

The results follow:—

St. George's	Score	St. Andrew's	Score
Mrs. Wentworth	0	Mrs. Burton	1
Mrs. Reynell	1	Miss Ross	¼
Mrs. Mann	1¼	Mrs. Rigden	0
Mrs. Gardener	0	Mrs. McLean	1¼
Lady Maze	1	Mrs. Porter	0
	3¼		2½

One hundred dollars was collected in Entrance Fees and this money has been sent to the funds of St. George's Society.

Possible Players for American Cup

The American Cup competition will be held at Hungjao on Sunday and the draw will appear in tomorrow morning's issue. The sides will be chosen from the following:—

American Players:—T. B. Dunn 10; M. Bates 12; C. M. Wentworth 12; J. A. Mackay 14; C. D. Culbertson 15; W. P. Willson 15; L. C. Perry 16; A. M. Dunlay 18; L. M. Pharis 18; E. S. Savage 13; B. M. Smith 20; P. M. Anderson 24; J. B. Davies 24; C. L. L. Williams 24; A. C. Cornish; W. N. Gray, III; A. B. Henning; F. J. Twogood; W. W. Jourdin; L. R. Moore; James Nichols; E. A. G. Petersen; R. A. Schilling; Will Storms.

British Players:—T. S. M. Terrace 5; D. R. Glass 6; W. J. Hawkings 6; H. F. B. Gardener 8; F. S. Gibbings 10; H. Martin Little 10; E. G. Price 10; L. R. Andrews 12; I. A. Beith 12; I. E. L. Mackay 12; F. A. Pollock 12; W. B. Rigden 12; E. A. P. Wood 12; E. F. Watts 13; A. H. Forbes 14; D. A. Campbell 15; A. P. Nazer 15; W. A. Kearton 16; L. G. Murray Kidd 16; H. E. Reynell 16; R. Gordon 18; H. C. Hopkins 18; H. W. Carter 24; J. K. Simpson 24.

Latest League Soccer Standings

First Division

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
S.M.P.	7	6	1	0	31	5	13
S.F.X.	7	6	0	1	33	13	12
Lusitano	6	4	0	2	27	23	8
French Forces	7	3	1	3	13	17	7
P.T.H.	6	3	0	3	14	16	4
J.R.C.	5	1	0	4	8	13	2
Sokol	6	1	0	5	9	21	2
S.R.C.	6	1	0	5	6	29	2

Reserve Division

P.T.H.	2	2	0	0	6	3	4
S.F.X.	1	1	0	0	6	0	2
French Forces	1	1	0	0	2	0	2
S.R.C.	2	1	0	1	8	4	2
Lusitano	2	1	0	1	5	6	2
J.R.C.	2	1	0	1	5	8	2
S.M.P.	2	0	0	2	3	7	0
Sokol	2	0	0	2	2	9	0

Second Division

F.M.P.	3	3	0	0	18	3	6
A.S.F.	3	3	0	0	20	6	6
R.A.D.	3	2	1	0	22	3	5
J.F.C.	3	2	0	1	13	6	4
Britain Navy	3	1	1	1	7	7	3
Xaverians	2	1	0	1	16	9	2
Rowing Club	1	0	0	1	0	7	0
Old West	3	0	0	3	4	17	0
Kilim	3	0	0	3	5	30	0
C. L.	2	0	0	2	1	16	0

Third Division

Betar	2	2	0	0	12	1	4
J.A.C.	2	2	0	0	11	1	4
S.J.A.	2	2	0	0	22	4	4
Lun Chong	2	2	0	0	14	4	4
Xaverians	2	1	0	1	19	7	2
Wayfoong	2	1	0	1	4	6	2
Synagogue	2	1	0	1	7	9	2
Scan. Coy.	2	1	0	1	6	20	2
Phil. Coy.	2	0	0	2	5	17	0
Fil. A. A.	2	0	0	2	2	10	0
Tung Wen	2	0	0	2	2	13	0
Maccabi	2	0	0	2	2	14	0

The goal getters (down to three goals in League games) are so far:—

Nineteen goals:—J. Ward (S.F.X.).

Eleven goals:—C. Chooklantzeff (S.M.P.).

Ten goals:—M. Gaan (Lusitano).

Nine goals:—Heloyan (French Forces).

Eight goals:—W. Ward (S.M.P.).

Seven goals:—E. Kidby (P.T.H.).

Six goals:—W. Pettersson (S.F.X.), V. Sousa (Lusitano), D. Novgorodoff (S.M.P.).

Four goals:—H. Cochran (P.T.H.), R. Favacho (Lusitano).

Three goals:—A. England (S.R.C.), Defris (J.R.C.).

Veronica Lake, stren in "I Wanted Wings," goes so far into comedy for Preston Sturges' "Sullivan's Travels" at Paramount that she does several slapstick scenes.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

MR. and Mrs. K. A. Persen are leaving tomorrow for a three months holiday in the United States.

IN the Notification No. 5624 of The Shanghai Municipal Council appearing in our issue of December 2, 1941, the figures 02854 were incorrect and should have read 02853.

JOHN Harford's talk for 9.15 tonight over Station XGDN will be "A Message to Britons on Propaganda"—not "As I see It" as announced previously.

HELLO, Boys and Girls! station XMHD will be calling you in the Young Folks Hour at 6.15 p.m., today. Have your pencil and paper ready for the games and weekly competition. Tune in on 760 kc or 395 m.

THE "Mystery at the Mike" feature from the studio of XGDN today at 9.30 p.m. includes a quiz before the 4th Chapter of 'Fly By Night'—the radio detective play—goes on the air. Answers to the quiz are given shortly before 10 p.m.

STATION XGDN has pleasure in announcing that they will be able to relay the tomorrow night's performance of "The Pirates of Penzance," direct from the Lyceum Theatre, at 9.30 There will be a running commentary by Kenneth Mackenzie.

THE Scandinavian Women's Association wil meet at the Cercle Sportif Français to-morrow at 4 p.m. Mrs. T. G. Ling will give a talk on "Trials of an art collector in China," she is a very able speaker and is well known locally for her knowledge of Chinese customs and art.

MR. Daizo Nakamura, supervisor of the Doiinkai Hospital, who has just completed an inspection tour of organizations under the jurisdiction of the Central China Branch of the hospital, will be host at a dinner party at the Nippon Club tomorrow evening. Representatives of the Army and Navy will be present.

MR. and Mrs. Emm. P. Yannoulatos have left on an extended holiday. During Mr. Yannoulatos' absence from Shanghai Mr. J. R. Jones, Acting Consul-General will be in charge of the Royal Consulate General for Greece, while Mr. Nicolas N. Malinovsky will be in charge of his business interests in this City.

PREPARATIONS are now being completed to move the head offices of the Central Anti Malarial Bureau of the National Health Administration to Kweichow province sometime next Spring, says a report to the "Shun Pao." The Bureau will concentrate its efforts upon antimalarial work in southwest provinces, concludes the message.

MR. Hideki Mazaki, interpreter second-class of the Japanese Consulate-General in Shanghai, has been transferred to the Japanese Embassy in Washington, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reports. Mr. Mazaki has been official interpreter at the regular Japanese foreign press conference held twice a week at the Broadway Mansions Hotel.

AMONG the three prizes offered in the "Shanghai Auction" to be held at the B.W.A. War Work Fund Bazaar on December 10, at the Race Club, is a British-made all-wool travelling rug. The Bazaar will commence at 2 p.m., and not 3 p.m., as previously advertised, in order that wives may get a lift from their husbands on their way back to office in the afternoon, and thus save a great deal of time travelling to the Race Club.

PLANES are now being made by the American Charitable Association for Refugee Aid in China to raise US$10,000,000 for the benefit of Chinese refugees, says a Chungking message to the "Shun Pao." Since the commencement of the nation-wide campaign launched in the United States under the auspices of the Association, a total sum of US$3,000,000 has been contributed to refugee relief in China. The campaign will be continued on an ever wider scale sometime next Spring, concludes the report.

JAPANESE steamers have been withdrawn from the China coast and from their regular services along the Yangtze River, and commandeered by Japanese military authorities for the transportation of troops during the past few days, according to the "Sin Wan Pao." Among these steamers are the ss. Tangshan Maru, which plied between Shanghai and Tientsin. Ten out of the twelve Japanese steamers that formerly plied along the Yangtze river ports have also been taken and sent to Nagasaki to transport troops.

TODAY at 5 p.m. will be held the twelfth "Ejas" lecture-recital in "Music-Appreciation, at the University of Shanghai, Music Department at 20 Museum Road, fifth floor. The lecturer will be Dr. A. Dreifuss and the musical illustrations will be rendered by Madame Lisa Robitchek, soprano and Maestro Henry Margolinski at the piano. The subject of this lecture recital comprises the "Italian Grand Opera" reviewing works of Verdi's contemporaries and successors, such as Boito, Mascagni, Leoncavallo, Puccini, etc.

AT a reception given in Chungking on Monday by the Futan University Alumni Association to celebrate the reorganization of the university under government control, C$25,000 was raised to build a big hall in honour of Dr. T. H. Lee, founder and president of the institution, says the "Cheng Yien Pao." Dr. Lee has worked for and watched for growth of the university into its present stage. He is still president of the Futan University where many prominent Chinese in banking and industrial circles have graduated, concludes the report.

No one in Great Britain knows more about commercial flying than Lieut.-Colonel Sir Francis Shelmerdine, who resigned his post as Director-General of Civil Aviation and will devote himself to post-war flying problems. He has been actively concerned with aviation developments since the last war, when he became the late Sir Sefton Brancker's right-hand man. He planned the important aircraft junctions in Cairo and India, and personally surveyed the route from Baghdad to Karachi. Since he had a nervous breakdown three years ago he has not enjoyed robust health.

SIR Eggleston, Australian Minister to China, was honoured at a tea party given on Monday under the auspices of the Sino-British Cultural Associatoin and the British-Returned Students Association in Chungking, says the "Cheng Yien Pao." Sir Otto Niemeyer, head of the British Economic Mission to China, Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, British Ambassador, Dr. Quo Tai-chi, Chinese Foreign Minister, and Dr. Chu Chia-hua, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Sino-British Indemnity Refund, were among the many prominent officials present at the function. Dr. Wang Shih-chieh, chairman of the British-Returned Students Association and Minister of Publicity, welcomed Sir Eggleston with an opening speech, and was followed by Dr. Quo Tai-chi, who spoke on the United A-B-C-D front.

Japan's Menacing Attitude Brings Action in Malaya

Singapore, Dec. 2.

"THERE has been no immediate deterioration in the situation—the situation has not been clarified—precautionary measures are being instituted step by step." These extracts from an official communique issued here yesterday concerning the proclamation of a state of emergency admirably sum up developments during the last 24 hours.

There has been no official indication of any easing in the Japanese menacing attitude, therefore the A-B-C-D Powers' preparations to be ready to meet any breach of the peace are being methodically implemented. On the other hand, nothing has been announced to show that Japan's menacing attitude is any nearer a breach of the peace.

Saigon Radio has given hints that the Japanese do not intend to continue their reinforcements in Indo-China, and that they have given an assurance to the Governor-General that no attack against Thailand or the Burma road will be launched from Indo-China bases.

This report promises well for a relaxation of tension—if it is confirmed. In view of its Vichy source, however, little credence is being attached to it and the A-B-C-D Powers, now that they have begun to put the finishing touches on their preparations, need some better assurance of Japan's peaceful intentions before they alter their plans.

Reports Discredited

The same calm aloofness has greeted reports from Manila and the United States that powerful Japanese naval units were off the Japanese mandated islands in the neighbourhood of Borneo. Authoritative circles here, who naturally keep the closest liaison with the Americans, state that the report, which, it is stressed, emanates from non-authoritative American sources, is not borne out by information available here. Similar discredit attached to the report by London is, therefore, fully corroborated by our latest information here.

In Singapore yesterday volunteers—and all of Malaya's man-power is now controlled—began reporting for duty within an hour of issue of the proclamation announcing their mobilization.

Young and old men in civilian employment could be seen rushing through the streets during the lunch hour (tiffin) and yesterday afternoon many offices were temporarily closed to allow for reorganization of their reduced staffs.

Yesterday's reports from Indo-China and Thailand did not reveal any appreciable change in the situation, in those countries.—Reuter.

Maharaja Inspects Troops

Singapore, Dec. 2.

The Maharaja of Tehri-Grawhal arrived in Singapore yesterday to inspect Indian troops.—Reuters Pacific Service.

Quezon's Speech Denounced by Crawford

Washington, Dec. 2.

Representative Fred L. Crawford, Republican of Michigan and expert on Philippine affairs yesterday denounced the speech on defence of Sr. Manuel Quezon, President of the Philippines Commonwealth Government.

Sr. Quezon inferentially attacked Mr. Francis B. Sayre, United States High Commissioner to the Philippines, in the speech and blamed dilatory tactics of American "theorists" for the Philippines' lack of defence preparations.

Situation Sadly Degenerated

Representative Crawford told the United Press he "would not be surprised" to see a military government established in the Philippines. He also defended the United States from charges of blocking Philippine defence preparations and said the delay was caused in the Quezon administration's desire to have control of large expenditures.

Mr. Crawford said that the United States government was required to take steps "to save Quezon from his own crowd. The situation there has sadly degenerated.

"What's taking place in Manila is unbelievable," said Representative Crawford. "At the same time, the general Far Eastern situation grows worse every minute. The Philippines are up against cold steel. We must act quickly and forcefully to meet this crisis."

Quezon's Explanation Important

Meanwhile the "Washington Post" in an editorial said that "Sr. Quezon's explanation of the Philippines' lack of civilian defences was important chiefly as evidence that the years do not bring any diminution of the shrewd administrator's political ability.

"Obviously, some sort of explanation for civilian defence inadequacies was in order, so Sr. Quezon found it politically expedient to pin responsibility on American critics of his administration," said the newspaper, "but the main reason for Manila's scant air raid protection is Sr. Quezon's month's long squable with Mr. Sayre, over who should pay for them, the Commonwealth or the United States."—United Press.

Former Minister to Thailand Says U.S. Can Smash Japan

Washington, Dec. 2.

Mr. Hugh Grant, former Minister to Thailand, yesterday said that "if the Japanese really want war, now is the time to let them have it.

"I believe we could smash them within a few months with our superior naval and air forces," Mr. Grant continued.

He said he did not believe Japan now would try any actual military moves in the Far East which might result in war.

Mr. Grant said that the Japanese were "past masters at bluffing, but their policy is to grab when there is little or no danger to themselves. Either we will submit to having the door to the Far East slammed in our faces by the Japanese, or we will stop Japan. There are no halfway measures."—United Press.

Eighteen Convicted For Conspiracy In America

Minneapolis, Dec. 2.

A Federal jury today convicted 18 persons of conspiracy to overthrow the United States Government by a revolution and acquitted five other persons.

The jury recommended leniency for the convicted 18 who face a maximum penalty of 10 years' imprisonment.

The convicted persons are Vicent Dunne, one of the leaders of the C.I.O. transport workers Union; Jake Cooper, ex-bodyguard of the late M. Leon Trotsky, Russian revolutionary leader; Carlos Hudson; Edward Falmquist; Emil Haanson; Harry Deboer; Clarence Hamel; James P. Cannon, national secretary of the Socialist Workers' Party; Ferrell Dobbs; Felix Morrow; Grace H. Carlson, who was a candidate to the national Senate in the last general elections in Minnesota; Oscar Coover, Albert Goldman, a New York attorney; Oscar Schoenfeld; Alfred Russell; Karl Kuehn; and Max Geldman.—United Press.

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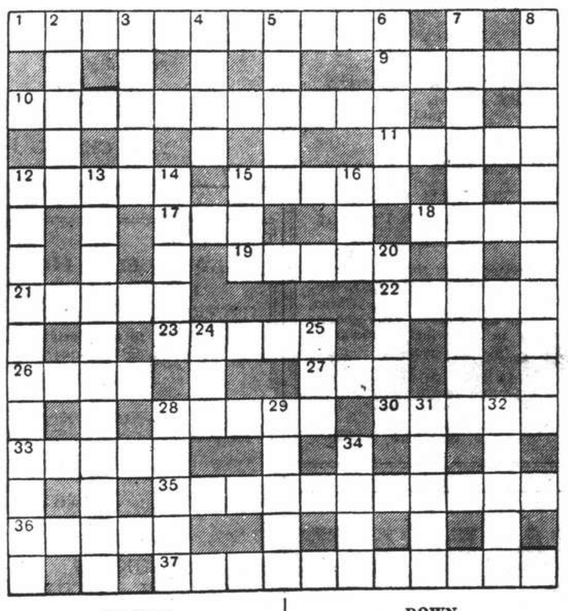

ACROSS

1 The pace of this advance is clear (two words—4, 7)
9 A vote registered in good shape (5)
10 To the fellow at the wrong end of a bayonet this would be a pretty sticky one (three words—5, 2, 4)
11 Belgian town (5)
12 It has accommodated man before stage, or horse after stage (5)
15 The facetious sea (5)
17 It comes between air and water (3)
18 Bird (4)
19 Form of Redan in Libya (5)
21 With this one can make few words go a long way (5)
22 A bit of the harvest (5)
23 Orange hasn't got one (5)
26 Dark body claims to be "goody" (4)
27 Mixed in 14 down (3)
29 Unfeeling people have lost one, presumably (5)
30 This was once a vessel (5)
33 A taking fault (5)
35 One hundred per cent. increase (three words—2, 4, 5)
36 Jewish month in Mussolini's antipathy (5)
37 Ban lifted to show clamour of war (three words—3, 2, 6)

DOWN

2 Fish (5)
3 A broken plane (5)
4 Does it make a noise like the wind in the wood? (4)
5 Be as irresolute as a hairdresser (5)
6 As knowing as the airman who wins his fights (5)
7 One of those soothing airs (two words—5, 6)
8 This still goes for our sailors in steel ships (three words—6, 2, 3)
12 To stop it stores have counter-espionage (11)
13 Just as you like, have it your own way! (three words—2, 3, 6)
14 It nourishes the early grouse, they say (5)
15 Excuse for lying that it's hard to get out of (3)
16 She's fair in pronunciation (3)
20 Crooked, like part of Surrey (5)
24 You'll get some shade here (3)
25 Her name is evergreen in Treves (3)
28 Always this for the 31 down, but don't deliver (5)
29 An old coin (5)
31 What is this is often ticked off; it hardly seems just! (5)
32 Not to be sneezed at, but sneezed with (5)
34 A safe fish this (4)

Y'DAY'S SOLUTION.—ACROSS: 3, Medal; 8, Casino; 9, Acacia; 10, Class; 11, Red ink; 12, Hermit; 13, Unheard; 16, Knowing; 19, Young; 20, Pave; 21, Flue; 22, Beach; 24, Recover; 27, Kept out; 30, Forfar; 32, Arthur; 33, Icing; 34, Citron; 35, Opener; 36, Gamin. DOWN: 1, Cavern; 2, Divide; 3, Mockery; 4, Dead; 5, Lashing; 6, Barrow; 7, Simian; 13, Upper; 14, Havoc; 15, Dower; 16, Knock; 17, Igloo; 18, Guest; 22, Bearing; 23, Hexagon; 25, Erotic; 26, On fire; 28, Totter; 29, Unused; 31, Film.

Discussing Plans for China Relief

John D. Rockefeller III (left) and Miss Pearl Buck, noted China born authoress, both members of the National Board of the Committee, chat with Mr. Wendell Willkie at a luncheon of the United China Relief Association held at the Biltmore Hotel in New York. Mr. Willkie was principal speaker at the luncheon.

Gen. Blamey Arrives In Rangoon

Singapore, Dec. 2.

Gen. Sir Thomas Blamey, Deputy Commander-in-Chief in the Middle East has arrived in Rangoon en route to the Middle East.

Gen. Blamey arrived in Singapore from Australia on Nov. 30.—Reuter.

Youth Charged With Killing Brother

Zee Ta-chuan, second son of Zee Ziang-sung, wealthy Chinese medicine merchant who owns the Oriental Dispensary in Foochow Road, was formally charged with inflicting serious bodily harm causing the death of his elder brother, Zee Sung-yao, in a house at 26 Rue Bourgeat on September 21. The charge was framed yesterday in the Second Special District Court by the French police but the accused youth still refused to talk.

One detective of the French police, the photographer of the fingerprint department, and a clerk of the Municipal Mortuary, were questioned by the judge in connection with the alleged change of body during the first autopsy performed on the victim's body. Two witnesses were also questioned and hearing was postponed to November 16 pending further investigations.

The shabby looking youth with uncombed hair stood motionless in the prisoners' dock and when the judge asked him some preliminary questions he remained speechless again. The judge asked if he had anything to say to defend himself now that the charge had been formally made against him. He had the full right to say whatever he wanted to defend himself, the judge explained, but he did not talk. The judge showed him the Boy Scout hatchet which he was alleged to have used in attacking his elder brother, but he gave no expression.

"Not Insane"

While presenting the case, the prosecution explained that whereas investigations had still to be made, the police could so far only press the charge of inflicting serious bodily harm causing death, against the accused young man. He attacked his elder brother with the hatchet shown in court. The victim collapsed and fell down a staircase. He was rushed to the Paulun Hospital where he succumbed later, the court was told. The prosecution insisted that the youth had not gone insane but admitted that it was difficult to obtain a confession from him during his detention at the police station because he refused to talk. Doctors had examined the accused, it was said, and although he had been confined in a hospital prior to the crime, he did not suffer from any mental disease.

It was revealed that the father of accused met him on the staircase soon after the alleged attack. No close relatives of the accused were summoned to the court yesterday. It was further alleged by the prosecution that efforts had been made by the relatives to have things hushed up, in an attempt to make people think that the victim had died as a result of his fall from a staircase.

Chauffeur's Death

A nephew of the chauffeur, who drove the victim to the hospital and who died in mysterious circumstances soon afterwards, was questioned by the judge at length. He could not say how the chauffeur had died but he said that he had been told that death came as a result of apoplexy. It was revealed by the prosecution that the inner organs of the dead chauffeur were still being examined by doctors to ascertain the cause of his death.

The Chinese detective, the photographer who was alleged to have phographed the body of the victim and the clerk of the public mortuary were questioned carefully by the judge, but they all tried to exonerate themselves. They were suspected to have been involved in the changing of the body of the victim during the first autopsy when no signs of violence were found on the body. It was during the second autopsy that marks of violence were found on the head of the victim. The detective told the court that relatives of the victim did not wish to have an inquest held on superstitious grounds.

Tokyo Spokesman Indicates Hope For Agreement

Tokyo, Dec. 2.

Although there was still a fairly large difference in viewpoints, the Japanese-American negotiations will be continued, Mr. Iichi Kishi, deputy spokesman of the Information Board, told foreign pressmen today.

Asked about the prospects of the Washington talks. He replied: "Nobody would continue negotiations without the hope of reaching an agreement. We must wait and see."

In reply to a question whether Mr. Cordell Hull's document placed any obstacles in the way of the negotiations, he said he did not have any knowledge of a report carried by the daily "Asahi" stating that the United States plans to close all Japanese Consulates in the event of a "worse situation."

No Steps Against U.S. Consulates

"I don't think so," Mr. Kishi said when asked if the Japanese Government was contemplating such steps against American Consulates in Japan.

Mr. Kishi confirmed a report that the Tatuta Maru was to sail at noon today for Los Angeles and Balboa, as originally scheduled.

When a correspondent asked if an "Asahi Shimbun" report, stating that British troops were being massed on the Thailand border for an invasion of Thailand, could be regarded as British propaganda, the deputy spokesman replied: "In a way you can take it so."

No Need for Fresh Comment

Asked to make a statement on reports of military preparations by the A-B-C-D countries, he said he saw no need of making any fresh comments, because the question has been asked and answered several times.

Questioned further about growing Japanese press allegations of British influence against Thailand, Mr. Kishi said that no official information had been received but the press shows that British propaganda is active in Thailand. Asked about the nature of alleged propaganda, he cited the so-called February crisis which was blamed on the British.

Asked about reports of bombings of the Burma Road, which were not made public in Japan, he said they "might occur at any time."—Reuter.

Tokyo Newspapers Pessimistic Over Outcome of Talks

Tokyo, Dec. 2.

Japan's vernacular press today published under banner headlines reports that British troops were massing for action in Burma, and the declarations of states of emergency in the Netherlands East Indies, Malaya and Hongkong while simultaneously publishing editorials filled with pessimism concerning final outcome of the Washington negotiations.

The press was nearly unanimously of the opinion that the negotiations were doomed to failure and that Japan should be prepared for the worst.

The vernaculars attributed the slowness of Washington conversations to American insistence on "empty, fanciful old order principles" which would force Japan to revert to its 1936 status.

The "Kokumin" said that the "United States holds the key to peace or war."

Action in Thailand Urged

The newspapers all urged swift action to meet the situation in Thailand, which they said now admittedly was a member of the ABCD bloc.

"The Anglo-American ambition for Asiatic hegemony must immediately be purged with a vengeance," declared the "Kokumin."

The "Nichi Nichi" said "we appreciate the Government's last effort to make peace with the United States. However, it is futile to listen to any more of America's hypocritical peace talks."

No Hope of Success

The "Asahi," in an equally pessimistic tone, said that "we are deeply impressed that the Washington negotiations speedily are heading toward a finale without any hope of success."

The "Miyako" said that "for Japan to carry on conversations with the United States virtually amounts to travelling with a group of highjackers with covetous eyes on our purse."—United Press.

S.M.C. Official Is Given Promotion

Mr. T. Beesley, secretary of the Council's price control committee has been appointed Assistant Secretary. After being in charge of rice he was transferred to the publicity office as the Council's official spokesman which position he held concurrently with that of an official of the recently established price control office.

He rendered invaluable service to the Council in connection with the import, sale and distribution by the S.M.C. of rice imported from Hongkong. Organization of the Council's rice office behind the Administration Building and the rice depots fell upon the shoulders of Mr. Beesley and other S.M.C. officials.

He is continuing in the price control office which recently was moved to more commodious quarters in the main Council building. It was learned that Mr. Beesley will continue as Publicity Officer and that no other appointment has been made in this connection.

Japanese Planning Evacuate Singapore

Singapore, Dec. 2.

More than 1,000 Japanese residents of the Straits Settlements and Malaya have made applications for shipping passages home, it was learned today. It was understood that another Japanese evacuation ship will visit Singapore soon to collect Japanese who were unable to evacuate previously.—United Press.

Hongkong Wives Not To Return Yet Says Duff Cooper

Singapore, Dec. 2.

In discussing his meeting with Hongkong wives in Australia, Mr. Alfred Duff Copper, British War Cabinet representative in the Far East, said he was sorry for them, but it was generally realized that the present was not the moment to consider their return as the majority of wives were happy in Australia, where the people had done all they could for them.

Their principal complaint was not against their conditions but against the fact that those who obeyed orders at first had been penalized while those who disobeyed were allowed to remain beside their husbands.—Reuter.

Churchill Acknowledges World-Wide Greetings

London, Dec 2.

Mr. Winston Churchill, in an announcement yesterday from Downing Street, expressed his regret that in present circumstances it was impossible to acknowledge the messages of good wishes which he received on the occasion of his birthday from every part of the country, as well as from the Empire and many other parts of the world. Mr. Churchill sends his warm thanks to all who have written to him and hopes that they will accept this message as acknowledgment.—Reuter.

U.S. Travel Restrictions Has Exemptions

Washington, Dec. 2.

Mr. Francis Biddle, United States Attorney General, yesterday revealed certain exemptions to restrictions recently imposed against aliens travelling in the Western Hemisphere.

He said that aliens en route to the United States and having proper admission documents could pass through Midway, Wake, Guam, Samoa, Hawaii, the Philippines, Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands.

Aliens engaged in the fishing industry who comply with Treasury and Navy department anchorage regulations also are exempted.

Aliens holding valid re-entry permits issued with the concurrence of the State Department as to destination will not be required to obtain new entry permits.—United Press.

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£1 @ 3 5/32d.	.......$	76.04
U.S. $100 @ 5 9/32	.......$	1,893.49
Guilders	9⅞	$100
Rupees	17½	100
Pesos	10⅝	100
Hongkong	$21	100

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 3¼d. .... $	73.84
U.S. $100 @ 5⅝ .... $	1,860.46
London—demand, $1=	3¼d.
4 months' sight credits	3 5/16d.
4 months' sight docts	3 11/32d.
6 months' sight credits	3 11/32d.
6 months' sight docts	3⅜d.
New York—demand, $100= ....U.S.	$5⅜
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4 months' sight docts .......U.S.	$5½

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Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

SELLING				BUYING
Cash				Dec.
£ T.T.	3 3/32	4 m/s. lc.		3 3/32
U.S.$ T.T.	5 3/32	4 m/s. l.c.		5⅜
Rs. T.T	17½	15 d/s.		18

SILVER QUOTATIONS

	Ready	For'd
London pence per std. oz.	23½	23½
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	35⅛	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	63 5.0	—
Bombay offtake 300 bars.		

U.S.$/£ CROSS RATE CASH QUOTATIONS

New York closing rate for Dec. 1	4.03¾
Local Sellers of U.S.$ against £ at the close	4.01
Local Buyers of U.S.$ against £ at the close	4.02

Foreign Exchanges

Closing, Decc. 1.

Bombay Rupee T. T. on:

N. Y. 332¾-332¼		London	1/5 31/32
Shanghai	17¾	2 mths	
Hongkong	84¾	„ sellers	1/5 31/32
		„ buyers	1/6 1/32

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	402.50	Shanghai	3 3/16d
Madrid	40.00	Bombay	1/6 1/32
Berne	17.30	Hongkong	1/3 1/32
Bel. Congo	176½	Singapore	2/4 3/16

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Spain	9.25	Shanghai	+5.34
Paris	2.29	„ free	5.50
S'zerland	23.33	Hangkong	25.31
Sweden	23.85	Hungary	19.85
Montreal	88.625	Manila	49.81 N.
Brazil	5.14		
London			4.03¾
Buenos Aires Paper			29.98
„ „ „ market rate			23.90
Montreal on London			4.55¾

*Offered N—Nominal †Official rate.—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London: Dec. 1.

Fine Bank Bills,	3 mths.	1 1/32%-1⅛%
Bank Bills,	6 mths.	1 1/16%-1⅛%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 mths.	2½%-3%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 mths.	3% -3½%
Call Money		¾%-1%

New York:

Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0½%B 0 7/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 9/16%B 0½%A
Call Money	1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

London Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Dec. 1.

Quiet but firm conditions prevailed on the London Stock Exchange today.

British gilt-edged securities and China issues ruled firm, while Eastern banks were nominally marked-down. Japanese bonds declined.

Industrials, tobaccos and oils appreciated.—Reuter.

	Nov. 28	Dec. 1
U.K. LOANS		
3½% War Loan (Red.)	£104⅝	104¾
3% Defence Loan	101¾	101 13/16
CHINESE LOANS		
4½% Gold Loan, 1898	50	53
4½% Anglo-French Loan	48	52
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	32	37
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	38½	43½
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	14	15
5% Honan Rly., 1905	17	20
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	18	19
5% „ „ „ (Ger. Is.)	15	17
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	15	17
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	18	20
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly. B.	15	18
5% „ „ G.	15	18
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) B.	15	18
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) G.	15	13
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	15	18
5% Chinese Imp. Rly.	70	72
JAPANESE BONDS		
5% Sterling Loan, 1907	24½	22½
6% Sterling Loan, 1924	27	24½
BANKS AND INSURANCE		
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	9⅜	9⅜
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	78	75½
„ „ „ (Col. Reg.)	85 N	83 N
Mercantile Bank of India	12⅝	12⅝
National Bank of India	36½	36½
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	22	22
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIALS		
Bristol Aeroplane	11/-	11/-
B'tish American Tobacco	102/6	103/3
Dunlop Rubber	39/4½	39/3
Imp. Chem. Industries	33/4½	33/3
United Steel	23/7½	23/7½
Woolworths	61/6	62/1½
MINES		
Chinese Eng. & Min.	13/6	13/6
Chosen Corp.	5/6	5/6
Marsman Investments	7/6	7/3
Pekin-Syndicate	2/6	2/6
Sub-Nigel	150/-	150/-
Western Holdings	17/9	18/-
MISCELLANEOUS		
Great Western Rly.	41¾	41½
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	15/7½	15/7½
London Midland & Scot.	16	16
S'hai Elec. Construction	13/9	13/9
S'hai Waterworks "A"	15	15
Shell Transport & Trad.	61/10½	65/-

N. Y. Stock Market

New York, Dec. 1.

The stock market declined irregularly today in fairly active trading. The turnover was 840,000 shares.

The Far Eastern situation and labour problems continued to affect the market adversely but losses were generally small. Automobile issues eased on discussions of price ceilings while American Telephone and Telegraph declined on estimates that this year's earnings would be slightly lower than last year's.—United Press.

Oct. Rubber Outputs

	lb.
Anglo-Dutch (Java) Plant., Ltd.	151,676
Anglo-Java Estates, Ltd.	293,212
Java Consolidated Rubber and Coffee, E., Ltd.	74,736
Kroewoek (Java) Plant., Ltd. ..	111,773
Ziangbe Rubber Co., Ltd.	142,638

Share Prices Hold After Firm Opening

By W. H. WIENER

Opening around the level of Monday's closing quotations share prices made a good showing throughout the two sessions yesterday. Nearly all the popular shares were being quoted at higher prices although a slight easiness was observed toward the close of the afternoon trading.

It was pointed out yesterday that there was an oversold position in the market that might at any moment lead to a reaction whenever the international outlook warranted a certain measure of optimism. Monday afternoon, it was reported that Japan would continue negotiations until the last moment and it was further claimed that Japan had decided temporarily to suspend the despatch of fresh Japanese troops to Indo-China.

Shorts Cover

The full significance of these reports had not apparently sunk deeply enough into the minds of local operators until yesterday morning when the continuation of the talks in Washington was interpreted as a hopeful sign. It might also readily be admitted that technical reasons might have contributed toward the firm opening to an even greater extent. Shorts wanted to cover so that they had some funds at least to lay their hands on in this topsy turvy world. The fact that there was still some activity to be registered on the local stock market was termed an interesting feature in brokers' circles.

As long, however, as there is no actual warfare in the Pacific, local operators will continue trading since they want to employ their funds for the time being. Once war has been declared all dealings will have come to an end anyway so why worry about something that cannot be avoided?

Depositors Worried

Some people in town, however, were worrying yesterday following the announcement by the Chase Bank here that the management waived all responsibility in case any laws, acts, decrees, regulations, edicts, executive orders or other mandates, acts of warfare, seizure, confiscation, destruction or impairment of property should lead to an interruption of banking activities.

This did not sound too reassuring and it was reported that quite a few people were withdrawing their deposits. A high official of the Chase Bank, however, declared that it was only the "smaller fry" of depositors and holders of banking accounts that actually withdrew their funds. The bank was showered with a rain of questions as to what one should do with one's money in case the bank refused responsibility? Put it under the bed, dig a hole somewhere in a field or garden?

The bank's officials honestly answered that they did not know. Our modern banking system has not apparently been devised for medieval emergencies like those that are being envisaged by many people in town. It is all very confusing as the old Romans said when wave after wave of Teutonic tribes poured over the limes and interrupted the nicely balanced economic life for centuries.

Goldbars Drop

The cash gold bar, military yen notes, and cotton yarn assumed a downward trend yesterday, due perhaps to the improved outlook as represented by Monday's cables or on account of profit-taking. United States bank-notes improved from $28.60 to $28.90. Gold bars dropped from $15,100 to $14,400, military yen notes declined from $3.66 to $3.48, while cotton yarn opened at $2,515 and closed at $2,470.

The easier trend of share prices at the end of the afternoon trading was explained by unfavourable rumours about restrictions in British Far Eastern shipping. Since British shipping, however, has been substantially reduced for quite some time, it is unlikely that there was actually any major change in the offing.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

Trading on the local market yesterday was a mixed affair, alternating periods of buying and selling causing prices to fluctuate continually. The market opened in more cheerful mood, good buying causing firmness, which however later gave way to easiness. Thereafter, prices advanced and declined, the undertone at the close being on the uncertain side.

Official Averages

High	Low		Yesterday's Average	Change
545.49	105.32	General	393.76	— 5.70
599.40	95.55	Rubbers	434.55	+10 35

Total 1,158,991 shares, 100 bonds.

Morning Session

China Finance					2000	2.60
S. W. W. "A" £20					40	1,450.00
Yangtsze Finance					1500	24.75
	4000	25.25	2500	25.00	500	*25.00
	3500	25.50	5000	25.75	1000	26.00
	500	25.50	1000	25.25	500	25.00
	500	*25.50	500	25.50		
S'hai Loan			3500	26.00	5500	26.25
	2000	*26.50	4000	26.50	2500	27.00
	2000	27.25	500	*27.00	1000	27.00
	500	26.75	500	26.50	500	26.25
	2000	26.00	1000	26.25		
Central Prop.			100	24.50	200	25.00
	400	24.75	300	24.50	200	24.00
China Realty			4000	15.70	500	16.00
	500	16.20	2000	16.30	500	16.20
S'hai Land			2500	25.25	4500	25.00
	5000	25.50	1000	25.75	500	*25.75
	4000	25.25	5000	25.50	3000	26.00
	500	26.25	1000	*26.25	4500	26.00
	1500	25.75	1500	*25.75	500	25.50
	500	*25.25	500	25.50	500	25.75
Dockyards (X.D.)					1600	44.75
	400	45.00	2600	44.50	1700	*44.25
	400	44.75	1200	45.25	200	*45.50
	3500	45.50	100	45.75	600	45.50
	900	45.25	3600	45.00	700	45.25
	2200	45.50	1600	45.75	100	*45.75
	2000	46.00	400	46.25	1200	45.75
	700	45.50	1300	45.00	1000	*45.00
	300	45.25	1100	45.50	1300	45.00
	500	45.25	100	45.50		
Asia Navigation			4000	17.60	2000	17.50
	3500	17.60	500	17.80	1500	18.00
	1000	*18.00	1500	18.20	1500	18.10
	3000	*18.10	4500	18.00	4500	18.10
	2500	*17.90	9000	18.00	1000	*18.00
	500	*18.10	500	18.10	500	*18.20
	3000	*18.30	1500	18.20	4000	18.30
	6500	18.40	500	*18.30	500	18.30
	4500	18.50	1000	18.60	2000	18.40
	2000	18.50	500	18.40	500	*18.40
	500	18.30	500	18.20	500	18.10
	3000	18.00	1500	17.80	1000	18.10
	500	*18.20	500	18.20	2000	18.30
	2000	18.40				
Ewo Brewery			800	*11.10	500	11.20
	500	11.50	500	*11.40	6500	11.50
	3000	11.40	4000	11.30	500	11.20
	1000	*11.40	2500	11.60	2000	11.80
	3500	11.70	1500	11.60	500	*11.50
	1500	11.50	500	11.40	500	11.20
	2000	11.30				
Wheelock			200	139.50	100	138.00
	6600	137.50	3000	*137.00	300	138.00
	200	139.00	1300	139.50	1100	*140.00
	2000	140.00	1100	139.50	600	139.00
	1000	138.50	500	*138.50	100	139.00
	700	*138.00	3100	138.50	2800	139.00
	200	*139.00	100	*139.50	200	139.50
	300	*140.00	1400	140.00	200	*140.50
	2300	139.50	800	139.00	200	138.50
	100	138.00	600	137.00	100	137.50
	800	137.00	700	137.50	300	138.50
	500	139.00	100	138.50		
Ewo Mills (Ord)			2200	52.50	1300	52.00
	200	*52.00	2000	*51.50	1200	52.00
	1500	52.50	1300	*53.00	600	52.50
	1900	53.00	5000	52.50	1900	53.00
	1600	*53.00	1500	*52.50	4400	53.00
	500	*53.00	6600	53.50	2500	*54.00
	7900	53.50	600	53.00	2400	52.50
	500	*52.50	400	52.00	500	52.50
	800	53.00				
Textile			500	12.70	2000	12.50
	500	12.80	1000	13.00	1000	13.10
	500	12.80	1000	13.00	1000	13.10
	1000	13.00	1500	13.20	500	13.10
	1000	13.00	500	*12.90	500	13.00
China Cotton			2000	17.50	3000	17.40
	1000	*17.30	1000	17.30	500	17.50
	500	*17.60	500	*17.70	1000	18.00
	2000	*17.90	500	17.90	500	15.80
	500	17.70	1500	17.40	2000	17.50
	500	*17.50	1000	17.60		
British Woollen					500	11.20
Worsted			1000	12.10	3000	12.20
	5500	12.40	2500	12.30	1000	12.50
	4500	12.40	1000	*12.20	500	12.30
	2000	12.50	2000	12.60	500	12.70
	500	12.80	11500	13.00	500	*12.90
	500	12.90	500	13.10	2000	12.80
	2500	12.70	1500	12.50	500	12.70
Tram (Bearer) £1					100	57.00
C. G. Omnibus			400	20.00	100	19.70
Telephone			200	34.50	100	35.00
Paper			4500	12.70	500	13.00
	500	*12.80	2000	*12.90	500	12.90
	3500	13.00	3500	13.10	4000	*13.20
	500	*13.00	1000	*13.10	5000	13.00
	7500	13.10	7000	*13.20	7000	13.10
	16500	13.00	4500	*13.10	500	*13.00
	4000	13.10	500	*13.20	12000	13.20
	1000	*13.30	4000	13.30	1000	*13.40
	10500	13.50	2500	13.40	3000	13.60
	1000	*13.60	2500	13.50	3000	13.40
	2000	13.30	2000	13.20	5500	13.00
	500	*13.00	1500	12.90	3500	13.10
	1500	*13.10	4500	13.20	2000	13.30
Lumber			500	61.50	900	62.00
	1100	62.50	300	63.00	300	62.00
	200	62.50	100	*62.00	300	61.50
	1200	62.00	100	62.50	100	63.00
	800	64.00	1000	*64.50	300	64.50
	500	64.00	300	63.50	500	63.00
	100	62.50	500	62.00	1200	61.50
	100	61.00	400	62.00	400	62.50
Metal			600	47.75	500	49.25
	2100	49.00	900	*48.75	200	49.25
	700	*49.00	800	*49.25	5600	49.00
	1300	48.75	300	48.50	100	46.25
	800	48.50	2300	48.75	1800	49.00
	100	*49.00	700	49.25	400	*49.00
	3400	49.25	2100	49.50	1500	*49.50
	1800	49.25	1400	49.00	700	48.75
	700	49.00				
Exploration			1000	46.00	4500	45.50
	6000	*45.75	2000	46.00	500	47.50
	500	46.50	1500	47.00	2000	46.50
	500	*46.75	1000	46.25	500	46.50
	2500	46.00	500	*46.25	1500	46.50
	1000	47.00	1000	*47.50	4000	47.50
	2000	47.25	500	*47.25	1000	47.00
	500	*46.50	2000	46.25	1000	*46.00
	500	46.50				
Anglo Dutch			500	26.25	600	26.50
	200	26.25	700	26.75	200	*27.00
	200	27.25	500	27.50	200	*27.75
	100	27.75	900	28.00	200	27.75
	500	27.00	100	26.75	100	27.00
Anglo Java			600	45.00	200	44.75
	900	*45.00	700	45.50	1100	45.00
	200	44.75	100	44.50	200	*45.00
	1100	45.00	700	45.50	100	*45.50
	500	*45.25				
Anglo Java			100	45.75	100	46.00
	100	46.25	300	46.00	200	*46.00
	100	45.50	300	45.00	200	45.25
	100	*45.50	100	45.50		
Batu Anam			2000	3.20	1000	3.35
	1000	3.30	3000	3.32½	2000	3.35
	1000	3.40	4000	3.50		
Cheng			2000	2.70	4000	2.75
	14000	2.80	2000	*2.80	1000	2.85
	4000	2.90	1000	2.85		
Consolidated			1000	13.90	5000	*13.90
	500	14.00				
Kroewoek			3000	3.80	2000	3.75
	9000	3.80	1000	3.85		
Langkat			2300	33.00	200	*33.60
	1700	33.00	1600	*33.25	1500	33.00
	400	32.75	100	*32.75	400	33.25
	400	33.50	1100	34.00	600	33.75
	300	33.50	400	33.25		
Repah			14000	3.50	1000	3.45
	2000	3.50	2000	3.60	10000	3.80
	3000	3.75	1000	3.55	1000	3.50
	8000	3.70				
Rubber Trust			500	25.00	3000	26.00
	1000	26.50	2000	25.50	2500	26.00
	3500	26.25	1000	26.50	2000	26.00
	500	25.75				
Kelantan			3000	2.20	1000	*2.30
	4000	2.40	5000	2.35	1000	2.37½
	2000	2.42½	8000	2.45	1000	2.47½
	3000	*2.50	3000	2.50	3000	2.40
Samagaga					10000	4.25
Semambu			1000	4.00	2000	*4.00
Tanah Merah			1000	5.50	1000	5.70
Tebong			1000	3.20	2000	*3.25
	1000	3.25	16000	3.30	1000	3.40
	8000	3.25	2000	3.30	12000	3.40
	6000	3.30	2000	3.25	1000	3.20
	5000	3.30				
Ziangbe			100	30.00	700	30.25
	200	30.75	1600	30.50	200	30.25
	1400	*30.75	300	31.00	100	30.75
	500	30.50	1600	30.75	700	31.00
	100	31.25	100	31.50	1100	31.75
	100	31.00				
Power (Pref)			10	140.75	370	140.50
Telephone 6% Debs.					10000	104.50
ODD LOTS						
Asia Navigation	100	17.50			2200	18.10
S'hai Loan					30	26.50
Ewo Mills (Ord)					25	54.00
S'hai Loan					100	25.50
Samagaga					600	4.30
Semambu					500	4.10

Afternoon Session

Yangtsze Finance					1000	26.00
	1000	25.75	500	*26.00	1500	26.00
	1000	25.75	500	25.25	500	25.50
	500	25.00	1000	25.25		
S'hai Loan			2000	26.75	1500	*27.00
	2500	27.00	500	*27.50	1500	26.75
Central Prop.					100	24.25
China Realty			500	*16.00	5000	16.10
	1000	*16.20	1000	16.10		
S'hai Land			500	*26.00	500	26.00
	1500	26.25	1500	*26.25	1000	26.00
	5500	25.75	1500	*25.75		
Dockyards			400	45.50	700	*45.50
	100	45.25	2900	45.50	900	45.75
	200	46.00	1400	45.50	500	45.25
Asia Navigation			2500	*18.30	3000	18.40
	500	18.30	1000	18.60	500	*18.60
	2500	18.70	1500	18.80	500	*18.80
	2500	18.60	1000	18.50	500	*18.50
	1000	18.30	6500	18.40	1500	18.50
	1500	*18.40	500	18.40	8500	18.30
	500	*18.30	2500	18.40	2000	18.50
Ewo Brewery			1000	11.40	2000	11.50
	3500	11.60	1500	11.70	1500	11.60
	2000	11.50	500	11.40	9000	11.50
	500	11.60				
Wheelock			100	137.50	200	*138.00
	200	138.50	700	139.00	1300	139.50
	100	*140.00	900	140.00	600	139.00
	100	*139.50	700	139.50	300	139.00
	500	138.50	300	138.00	200	*138.50
	1500	138.50				
Ewo Mills (Ord)			200	52.50	1500	53.00
	700	*53.00	300	*53.50	300	53.50
	600	53.00	1200	52.50		
Textile			1000	13.10	3500	13.20
	500	*13.00	500	12.90	500	13.00
	500	12.90	1500	13.10	1000	*13.00
China Cotton			2000	17.50	1000	17.60
	500	17.70	4000	17.60	1500	17.50
	2000	*17.60	500	17.60		
British Woollen					3000	11.50
Worsted			4000	12.70	6000	12.60
	2500	12.50	500	12.70	500	*12.60
Tram (Bearer) £1					300	56.00
C. G. Omnibus			100	19.90	200	20.00
Telephone					100	35.00
S'hai Gas					100	18.50
Paper			1000	*13.40	6000	13.30
	500	*13.30	1000	*13.20	500	*13.30
	5000	13.40	3000	*13.40	1500	13.30
	500	13.50	2000	*13.50	5500	13.40
	12000	13.30	500	*13.20	1500	13.40
	1000	*13.40				
Lumber			100	63.50	400	64.00
	200	64.50	200	63.50	100	64.00
	100	*63.50	500	63.00	100	62.50
Metal			100	48.50	1000	*48.75
	2000	48.75	1200	49.00	100	*49.25
	300	49.25	100	49.50	800	49.00
	900	49.25	200	*49.50	800	49.00
	1700	48.75	1900	48.50	100	48.25
	1100	*48.25	700	*48.50	1800	48.50
Kaiping			200	52.50	1000	52.00
Exploration			1500	*46.25	500	46.50
	1000	*46.50	2500	46.75	1000	*46.50
	1000	46.50	3000	46.25	1000	*46.25
Anglo Dutch			200	27.00	600	27.25
	100	*27.00	100	27.00		
Anglo Java			100	45.50	600	46.00
	100	*46.00	100	45.50	200	45.75
	300	46.00				
Batu Anam					7000	3.40
Chemor			1000	*5.10	2000	5.10
Cheng			2000	2.75	1000	2.80
	10000	2.75				
Consolidated			500	14.20	500	14.30
	500	14.40	500	14.50		
Java Consolidated					1000	5.55
Kroewoek			7000	3.80	1000	3.85
Langkat			600	33.50	900	33.25
	100	33.00				
Padang			1000	4.70	1000	4.80
Repah			1000	3.70	1000	3.60
	5000	3.70	2000	3.75	2000	3.70
	3000	3.65	2000	3.60	2000	3.70
Rubber Trust			1000	*26.50	1000	26.50
	1000	26.25	500	26.00	2000	26.50
Kelantan			5000	2.40	1000	2.42½
	9000	2.40	1000	*2.37½	1000	2.37½
Tanah Merah			3000	5.70	1000	*5.70
	4000	5.60				
Tebong			1000	3.25	1000	3.32½
	1000	*3.35	5000	3.35	9000	3.30
	2000	*3.30	1000	3.32½		
Ziangbe			300	31.50	600	31.25
	200	31.00	300	30.75	400	31.25
Power (Pref)			1050	140.00	10	141.50
ODD LOTS						
Yangtsze Finance					300	26.25
Paper					150	*13.50
China Realty					150	15.90
Kroewoek					500	3.77½
Power (Pref)					6	142.25
China Chemor					225	5.05
Kedah					100	22.00
S'hai Loan					200	26.50
Exploration					100	46.00
Worsted			200	*12.80	75	12.40
China Cotton			260	*17.60	125	17.40
	150	17.30				
Rubber Trust					100	26.00

*—Direct Business.

London Bullion

London, Oct. 1.

London Gold: Bar, Fine per oz....168/- unchanged.

London Silver: Market quietly steady. Business negligible.

Spot	23½d.	unchanged
Forward	23½d.	unchanged

—Reuter.

Thailand Refuses Tin Production Agreement

London, Dec. 2.

The International Tin Committee yesterday announced in a communique that Bolivia, the Belgian Congo, Netherlands East Indies, Nigeria and Malaya had accepted standard tonnages recommended by the committee and also agreed to a proposed draft agreement regulating tin control for another five years from January 1.

However, said the communique, Thailand has not yet accepted the agreement, has rejected the tonnages and made alternative proposals which the committee was unable to recommend for acceptance.

The communique said that the committee recommended "tin control be continued in accordance with the agreement, even if Thailand finally is unable to accept the agreement and tonnages."

However, the committee hoped that Thailand would accept before Dec. 31 or later rejoin control. The committee pointed out that countries accepting represented approximately 93 per cent. of production.

The communique said that if Thailand eventually declines to join control, the committee has suggested certain alternations to the scheme in order to safeguard members.

The committee fixed the quota from Jan. 1 to June 30 at 105 per cent. of new standard tonnages, including Malaya, 95,474 tons; the Netherlands East Indies, 55,113 tons and Thailand 18,500 tons, which were in proportion to previous exports from those countries. The committee also recommended continuance of the buffer stocks scheme for five years.—United Press.

New York Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Dec. 1.

Wall Street seemed to be oblivious to war news today, and even to the Japanese request to continue the negotiations. The usual threadbare market deterrents were again aired to explain the lack of initiatives, and values shifted indecisively around the previous closings. Tax-selling continued to be mildly disturbing, and accounted for the sizable bulk of the turnover, with the majority of the list registering net declines.

Coppers were supported; oils, rails, aircrafts and industrials ruled very narrow; chemicals and amusements closed lower; and, steels were soft, despite the American Iron and Steel Institute's estimate of 97.6 per cent of capacity.

The market finally turned erratic and closed irregular, with the turnover for the day amounting to 840,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	114.89	113.06	113.59	—0.64
20 Rails	27.05	26.77	26.87	—0.09
15 Utilit.	15.76	15.46	15.54	—0.09
40 Bonds	—	—	90.21	+0.11
11 Commod.	—	—	82.03	+0.53

	Nov. 29	Dec. 1		Nov. 29	Dec. 1
Adams Exp	7⅝	7⅝	Int & T	*2	2⅛
Alleg Lu	21	21½	Johns Man	58	57½
Allis Chal	24⅝	25	Kenn Cop	31½	31⅝
Amer Can	70	71½	Libb O F	24½	24
Amer Cya	37½	37½	Lockheed	29	28⅝
Am & For	0⅝	0⅝	Loew's Inc	38	37⅝
„ $7 pfd	23⅝	23⅝	Martin	25½	25⅝
Am Loco	10	9⅝	Mont	30⅝	30⅝
Am Metal	20½	20½	Nat Av	8½	8½
Am Radiat	4⅝	4⅝	Nat C B	*24½	*25
Am R Mill	11½	10⅞	Nat Dairy	14⅝	14
Am Smelt	36⅝	36½	Nat Dist	23½	24
Am Sugar	18⅝	18½	Nat P & L	2⅞	3
Am T & T	144½	143	Nat Supply	6½	6⅝
Am Toba	48⅝	48½	N Y Cent	9⅝	9⅝
Am Watrwk	3⅝	3½	Niagara	1½	1⅝
Anaconda	26⅝	27½	Nth A Av	13½	14
Atchison	26½	26⅝	Nth Amer	11½	11⅝
Aviation	3½	3½	Nthrn Paci	5⅝	5⅝
Baldwin	12⅝	12⅝	Packard	2½	2½
Balti & O	3⅝	3⅝	Pantepec	5	5
Barnsdall	9	9	Para Pct	15⅝	15⅝
Bendix	37½	37½	Penns R R	20⅝	20⅝
Bethl Steel	57½	57½	Phillips	44	44⅝
Bliss	16½	16½	Pullman	22½	21⅝
Boeing	19⅝	19⅝	Pure Oil	10⅞	11
Borg Wa	19⅝	19½	Radio Corp	3½	3½
Briggs Mfg	17½	17⅝	Reading	13⅝	*12
Budd Mfg	3½	3	Reming	*3⅝	*3⅝
Can Pacific	4	4	Rep Avtn	4½	4
Celanese	21⅝	21½	Rep Steel	17⅝	17⅝
Chase N B	*26½	*26⅝	Reynolds	24⅝	24½
Ches & O	36½	37½	Schenley	16⅝	16½
Chrysler	51	*50	Shell Un	15⅝	16½
Colum Gas	—	1½	Socony	9⅝	9⅝
Coml Cre	22½	22⅝	Sthrn Pac	11⅝	12½
Comm & S	0½	0½	Sthrn Rly	35	35½
Conso Ed	13⅝	13½	Spicer M	35⅝	*35½
Conso Oil	6⅝	6½	Stand Br	4⅝	4⅝
Cop Steel	12⅝	12⅝	St G & E	*14⅝	14½
Curtiss Wr	8½	8½	Stand Oil	44½	44⅝
Dist Corp	17½	17½	Studebaker	4⅝	4⅝
Douglas	69⅝	69⅝	Swift Int	21	20⅝
Du Pont	143½	142½	Technicolor	8½	8
Eagle Pich	7⅝	7⅝	Texas Corp	44½	43⅝
Elec Auto	24½	24½	Transamer	4½	4½
Elec Bond	1½	1½	Tw C Fox	8⅝	8⅝
„ $5 pfd	57½	*56	Un Bag	8⅝	8⅝
„ $6 pfd	60½	*59⅝	Un Pacific	67	65⅝
El P & L	34½	34½	Un Aircr	34½	32½
Flintkote	11	10⅝	Un A Lines	13	13
Gen Elec	26⅝	26⅝	Un Corp	0 5/8	0 5/8
Gen Motor	35⅝	35⅝	„ $3 c pfd	17	17
Gen Rly	12⅝	12⅝	Un Gas Imp	4⅝	4⅝
Gen Tire	10½	10½	U S Rub	23½	23⅝
Goodrich	20⅝	20⅝	U S Steel	50⅝	50½
Goodyear	16⅝	16½	Vanadium	19⅝	19⅝
Gt N Iron	18⅝	18	Vultee Air	10½	10
Gt N Rly	22⅝	22⅝	Walworth	3⅝	3⅝
Gt West S	24	*23½	Warner	5⅝	5⅝
Int Nickel	23⅝	24½	West Elec	75⅝	75½
Int Paper	16	15½	Wood Iron	20	20½

BONDS

Am & For	68½	68	Erie	—	29½
Aust Com	69½	69½	Int T & T	48⅝	48⅝
Brazil 8%	24½	23	New Eng	65	65
„ 6½%	19½	19½	Sthrn Pac	47⅝	48½
Cit S 5½%	98⅝	98⅝	St G & E	81½	81⅝

*—Bid. †—Ex Div.

Dow-Jones Summary

By courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Stock prices moved irregularly lower on a light volume of trading. Sentiment was somewhat dampened by uneasiness over the Pacific situation, and also by the domestic labour and economic outlook. Automobiles were depressed on the price ceilings discussions and indications that materials may not be sufficient. American Telephone and Telegraph lost ground on estimates that this year's earnings will be about $1.000 per share, compared with $11.26 last year, with the decline due to increased costs and taxes.

Manila Gold Shares

(Sales in Pesos)

Dec. 2.	9.45 a.m.		Sales Prices p.m. Closing	
Acoje Mining	.31	B	.32	B
Amalgamated Mineral .	.05	B	.05	B
Atok	.53	A	.51	
Antamok	.05½	B	.05½	
Baguio Gold	.16	A	.16	
Batong Buhay	.0045		.0042	B
Bid Wedge	.64	B	.65	B
Coco Grove	.06	B	.06¼	
Consolidated Mines	.0055	B	.0056	
Demonstration	.031	B	.031	B
East Mindanao	.06		.06	B
I. X. L.	.19½	B	.20	B
Itogon	.22½	B	.23	B
Mambulau Con.	.011	A	.011	A
Masbate Con.	.07¾	B	.07¾	B
North Camarines	.034	A	.034	A
Paracale Gumaus	.25½	B	Unq.	
San Mauricio	.15½	B	.15	B
Surigao Cons.	.19½	B	.19	B
Suyoc	.12½	B	.13	
United Paracale	.20	B	.19½	
Mindanao Motherlode ..	.44½	B	.47	
Manila Hai-Alai	9.50	A	9.00	
Benguet Consolidated ..	3.60	B	—	

(over the counter)
Turnover 160,000 Pesos.
Shares Index 51.10.
B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Mentoukou Report

Messrs. George McBain have received information from the Mentoukou Mines that for the month of November production of coal was 52,390 tons, and sales 43,086 tons.

India to Aid China Exchange Control

New Delhi, Dec. 2.

In order to assist China in controlling her foreign exchange, the Government of India is introducing measures by which import licenses granted for imports from China will be valid only if payment for the goods concerned is made in a manner approved by the Reserve Bank of India.

The new system came into operation yesterday.—Reuter.

U.S. Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, Dec. 1.

Conditions in the cotton market were nervous and irregular. Prices opened fairly steady, with gains of 2 to 8 points recorded, compared with the previous close. However, trading became restricted by the uneasiness over the Far Eastern situation, but later rallied on trade and commission house buying and covering, together with Senator Bankhead's advocacy of an increase in the loan rate to correspond to the high parity price. However, the advance attracted more active spot house and Memphis selling. The market finally closed steady, with quotations ruling from 1 point up to 3 points down, compared with Saturday's final levels.

The Chicago Wheat Pit moved sharply higher on weekend rains in the soya bean and maize harvesting areas and more favourable war news, which promoted general buying and covering. Conditions were generally firm throughout the day, aided by a friendly professional atmosphere and the Bureau of Economics' forecast of continued rising farm prices. At the final bell, gains of 2 to 1¾ cents were recorded.

New York Cotton			Chicago Wheat		
Dec.	16.15 N.	+01	July	16.53-53	unc.
Jan.	16.17 N.	—03	Oct.	16.55-55	—01
Mar.	16.39-39	—03	Dec.	116⅛-116	+2
May	16.50-50	unc.	May	121⅞-121¾	+1¾
N. Y. Sugar No. 3			**N. Y. Sugar No. 4**		
Jan.	2.95-3.10 B/A	—10	Mar.	2.67½-68 B/A	—1½
Mar.	2.95-3.10 B/A	—15	May	2.67½-68 B/A	—1½

Chicago Corn

Dec. 75½-75¼ +1⅝ May 81¾-81⅝ +1⅞

British Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, Oct. 1.

London Rubber: Smoked Steets, Standard, Ribbed, Singapore godown prices in cases: Dec. delivery 10 15/16 unchanged; April/June delivery 10 15/16 unchanged.

London Metals: Tin, Standard, cash, buyers £257¼ +¾; sellers £258 +1¼; 3 mths, buyers £261 +1; sellers £261½ +1¼.—Reuter.

Local Commodities

Yesterday's Prices

Cotton yn. 20's, D.H. p.b.	Cash	$2,470
Tungchow cotton ..	per picul	560
Shanghai cotton ...	per picul	460

Regular Cabinet Meeting Held

Tokyo, Dec. 2.

The regular cabinet meeting was held at the Premier's official residence at 10.00 o'clock this morning with all Ministers attending.

It was understood that members of the cabinet again exchanged views on the Japanese-American negotiations, and at the same time, approved more than 15 domestic measures, including a plan to increase rice production in Formosa.—Domei.

Japanese Bomb Mengtze

Tokyo, Dec. 2.

The "Nichi Nichi" today said that Japanese warplanes on Monday effectively bombed Mengtze in Yunnan Province.

The newspaper also said that one Japanese flier, Lieutenant Shoei Morita was driven off his course because of inclement weather and bombed the Burma road south of Kunming, destroying 50 trucks.—United Press.

Fatal Japanese Plunge Seen in Chungking

Chungking, Dec. 2.

Japan has two alternative courses open to her, either to announce her complete surrender and accept the United States terms for a peaceful settlement of the Pacific crisis or break off the negotiations and resort to force, declares the "China Times" in a leading article this morning.

The paper says that hitherto Japan has been adopting delaying tactics, with the result that the American-Japanese conversations have been going on in Washington for the past eight months.

It is evident, the paper says, that Japan is hoping for a new turn in the Soviet-German war while in the meantime trying to create disunity between Britain and the United States, bring about the isolation of China, and secure an easing of the United States and British economic pressure.

Surrender or War

Having met with disappointment in the above efforts, the "China Times" is of the opinion that Japan must choose between complete surrender or war.

Maintaining that Japan's complete surrender is most unlikely, the paper believes that Japan is likely to plunge herself into a reckless and fatal adventure in the near future.

Japan's peace assurances represent only a prelude to here Pacific "blitz," declares the "Sao Tang Pao," Chinese army organ, this morning.

Stating that Munich should be a lesson to all who support appeasement, the Chinese daily declares that offensive is the best defence, maintaining that to defeat Germany in Europe the Democracies must first combine all their efforts to defeat Japan in the Fast East so that they may devote their entire attention to Europe.—Reuter.

Tatuta Maru Leaves For Los Angeles

Yokohama, Dec. 2.

The N.Y.K. liner Tatuta Maru, carrying 148 passengers including 59 foreigners, sailed for Los Angeles at 1 o'clock this afternoon on her second trip to the United States since the freezing order, it was announced today.—Domei.

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The **Khai Dinh** of the Messageries Maritimes Line is expected to sail from lower buoys 13 and 14 for Haiphong at 8 a.m. today. The vessel arrived in Shanghai last Thursday from Haiphong.

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Expected here today from Tientsin via Chefoo and Tsingtao is the fast freighter **Hsuchow** chartered by the Toa Kaiun Kaisya Line. She will dock alongside the Company's Yangtszepoo Wharf, Shanghai side.

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The **Konei Maru** of the Toa Kaiun Kaisya Line arrived in Shanghai from Japan ports yesterday afternoon after a delay of two days, and tied up at lower buoys 18 and 19. She brought a considerable quantity of cargo for local discharge.

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The fast freighter **Marazan,** flying the flag of Panama, is due here from Hongkong some time this morning and upon arrival will tie up at the Rooseveral Terminal, Quai de France, to discharge a shipment of 27,000 bags of Rangoon rice for the S.M.C.

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The **Nagasaki Maru** arrived in port from Nagasaki yesterday afternoon, bringing with her a large number of passengers and a considerable quantity of cargo. She docked alongside the company's Wayside Wharf. The steamer will sail on her return voyage to Japan at 8 a.m. today. Passengers are requested to embark at least half an hour before sailing time.

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Due to sail at 9.30 a.m. tomorrow for Saigon from the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf is the French vessel **Marechal Joffre,** of the Messageries Maritimes Line. She will touch at Manila and Haiphong. The French vessel came into port on November 26 from Saigon, via Manila, with 26,031 bags of maize, 200 bags of rice and 2,021 bales of cotton for local discharge.

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Takusin M.	Japan	T.K.K.
Anwoo	Hsinkong	Chung Hua
Nagasaki M.	Japan	T.K.K.

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Tsingtao M.	Jap.	D.K.K.
Daishin M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Sado	Pana.	Y.K.K.
Hweichong	Chi.	T.K.K.
Chenyuan	Chi.	Showa S.
Tikugo M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Naruto M.	Jap	T.K.K.
Anwoo	Chi.	Chung Hua

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
Wake	Am.	Gbt.	B.N.B.
Gabrielle	Fr.	Yacht	F.N.B.
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A JAPANESE lady wants one large unfurnished room, centre district/French Concession. Without key-money. Please reply Box 5359, NCDN. -7674

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Unfurnished Houses

TO LET, seven-roomed detached house, in French Concession, for private residence only. Rental $750. Address Box 5380, NCDN. 12764

Houses and Land

VACANT house for sale. 29, 31 Passage, 280 Route Ferguson. Two storied reinforced concrete building including telephone. Total price $80,000. Telephone 93109. -7698

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SHANGHAI, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1941 (15th day of 10th moon)

TO-DAY'S WEATHER PROBABILITIES

Cloudy and variable weather with unsteady winds around Shantung. Overcast to cloudy and milder with mist or even drizzle and north-easterly to south-easterly winds over our regions and the Eastern Sea, owing to a depression crossing Kiangsi east-north-eastward.

	At Cathedral	At Siccawei
Temperature yesterday	min. 47.0 max. 60.0	min. 49.5 max. 61.0
„ same date last year	min. 42.0 max. 59.0	min. 36.5 max. 62.8

AIR AND OCEAN MAILS

British Overseas Airways Service per steamer to Hongkong on Dec. 4, 8.15 a.m. registered and 9 a.m. ordinary.

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ENGAGEMENT

CLARK-FRANKLIN.—Mr. and Mrs. Cornell S. Franklin announce the engagement and approaching marriage in February of their daughter DALLAS LEE to Mr. DONALD CLARK of New Haven, Connecticut, U.S.A. 12758

DEATH

TONG.—On December 1, 1941, at the Shanghai General Hospital, Miss TONG SING-MEI (DINIE), aged 36 years. Funeral services will be held tomorrow, Thursday, December 4, 1941, at the Chapel of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road, at 2 p.m. to be followed by burial at the Hungjao Road Cemetery at 3 p.m.

CARDS

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TO-DAY'S EVENTS

DECEMBER

3 Mahjongg and Bridge, in aid of Winter Relief of Central European Jews. Jewish Club, B'Well Rd., 2-7 p.m
3 'Pirates of Penzance'. ADC, Lyc. 9.15
3 *Hsia Yuen Festival (Hsia-yuan-chieh)*

COMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

4 'Pirates of Penzance'. ADC, Lyc. 9.15
4 For. Y. Lecture with demonstrations 'Judo' (Jujitsu) Messrs. H. H. Smith and M. Matthews, 9
5 Rotary Club, Foreign Y.M.C.A., 7.30
5 'Pirates of Penzance'. ADC, Lyc. 9.15
6 U.C.W.G. Fun Fair, U. C. Hall, 2-7
6 'Pirates of Penzance'. ADC, Lyc. 3
6 Fourth 'EJAS' concert 4 Vocalists, Masonic Hall, 1623 Avenue Road, 9
7 Betar 5th Annual Sports Dance, Bill Hegamin's orchestra, Floor show, S'hai Jewish Club, 722 Bubbling Well.
10 B.W.A. Xmas Bazaar, Race Club, Ground Floor, 2 to 8
11 Royal Asiatic Society, Annual Soiree, 5-7.30.
11 Ballet Russe, Francesca da Rimini, Lyc
12 Gipsy Soiree at Arcadia in aid of St. Tichon's Orphanage, 9.30.
13 Ballet Russe, Francesca da Rimini, Lyc
14 Ballet Russe, Francesca da Rimini, Lyc
18 Cathedral School Speech Day, Myburgh Road, 5.30.
20 The 4th Annual Rover Ball Sponsored by The 7th S'hai Rovers in aid of Anti T.B. and Baden-Powell Memorial Funds at the Masonic Hall 8.30
27 Hanuccah Ball in aid of Jewish Educational Aid Society, Keren Kayemeth at Shanghai Jewish Club, 722 Bubbling Well
30 Jumble Limbless Fund, U.C. Hall, 9.30

JANUARY

3 Exhibition of oil paintings by Boregar at 'Modern Homes; 871 Bubbling Well Road.

CENTRAL PROPERTIES, LIMITED

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Issue of 5½ % 10 Year Debentures

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Debenture Transfer Register in respect of the above issue will be closed from December 17 to December 31, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board

J. B ETHERINGTON,
Secretary.

Shanghai, December 2, 1941.

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NOTIFICATION No. 5625.

S.M.C. RICE OFFICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council's Rice Office, Room 703, Administration Building, 209 Kiangse Road, will be closed for sales of S.M.C. rice from Wednesday, December 3 to Tuesday, December 9 (both days inclusive)—The office will re-open at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, December 10, 1941.

By Order,

G. GODFREY PHILLIPS,
Secretary and Commissioner General.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
Shanghai, December 2, 1941.

NOTIFICATION No. 5626.

RICE MOVEMENT PERMITS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that S.M.C. Rice Movement permits will be issued at Room No. 703, Administration Building, 209 Kiangse Road, only between 9 a.m. and noon from Wednesday, December 3 to Tuesday, December 9, both days inclusive. Thereafter permits will be issued from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

By Order,

G. GODFREY PHILLIPS,
Secretary and Commissioner General.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
Shanghai, December 2, 1941.

THOMAS DANIEL DAVY

Deceased

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the estate of THOMAS DANIEL DAVY deceased should give notice in writing to the undersigned the Solicitors for JOHN ROBERT JONES to whom Letters of Administration with the Will annexed of the said estate was granted as Attorney for GEORGINA AMELIA SHRAP by H.B.M. Supreme Court for China, within two months from the date hereof after which time it is intended to distribute the estate of the deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which notice has then been received by the undersigned.

ELLIS and HAYS,
137 Peking Road.

Shanghai, December 2, 1941.

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INTERNATIONAL ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

(Incorporated under the Companies' Ordinances of Hongkong)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Directors have this day declared an Interim Dividend of 2½% in respect of the Year ending December 31, 1941, payable in Shanghai in Local Currency on and after Monday December 15, 1941.

The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from December 10 to December 15, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

E. I. OWEN,
Secretary,

November 28, 1941.

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METROPOLITAN LAND CO., LTD.

(Incorporated under the Hongkong Companies Ordinances)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Twelfth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Company's Offices at No. 17 The Bund, Shanghai, on Tuesday, December 16, 1941, at 12 noon, to pass the Directors' Report and Accounts, to elect Directors and Auditors, to declare a dividend, and to transact such other business as may be properly transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting of the Company.

The transfer books of the Company will be closed from December 8 to December 16, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

G. T. READ,
Secretary.

December 1, 1941. 12723

ASIA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

(Incorporated under the Hongkong Companies Ordinances)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Share Certificate No. 4289 dated May 12, 1941, for 500 shares, numbered 1724001 to 1724500, registered in the name of THE SHANGHAI LOAN & INVESTMENT CO., LTD., has been declared lost or destroyed and if the above certificate is not produced within Thirty (30) days from date, it will be cancelled and a new Certificate for 500 Shares will be issued in lieu thereof.

By Order of the Board of Directors

WHEELOCK & CO., LTD.
Secretaries.

Shanghai, November 18, 1941.

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This property has changed hand as from November 6, 1941.

Power of Attorney for the Management of this property is held exclusively by the undersigned; to be valid all arrangements must have his consent and all documents his signature.

E. BUSCH.

Shanghai, December 2, 1941.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., The Bund, Shanghai, at four o'clock in the afternoon of Monday, December 29, 1941, for the purpose of receiving the Directors Report and Accounts for the year ended September 30, 1941: to declare a dividend; to elect Directors; to elect Auditors; and to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the same place and on the same day immediately after the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting, an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held for the purpose of considering and passing the following as a Special Resolution:—

THAT Article No. 108 of the Articles of Association as altered by Special Resolution passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company on the 30th day of January, 1940, be cancelled and the following substituted therefor:

"The Directors shall forthwith procure a Common Seal to be made for the Company and shall provide for the safe custody thereof, and all Deeds and Instruments to which the Seal is affixed shall be signed by one Director and countersigned by the Secretary or some other person appointed by the Directors."

The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from December 4 to December 17, 1941, both days inclusive.

Proxies to be valid must be lodged at the Company's Offices not less than 48 hours before the time fixed for the Meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A. G. RUTHERFORD
Secretary.

Shanghai, November 27, 1941.

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WEATHER, TIME AND TIDE

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Meteorological Reports	Dec. 1 16.00	Dec. 1 21.00	Dec. 2 4.00	Dec. 2 9.00
Barometer (inches)	30.24	30.21	30.16	30.18
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	—0.03	—0.10	—0.11	—0.13
at 32 F. („ „ 12 hrs.)	—0.03	—0.10	—0.08	—0.03
Wind (direction)	NNE	NNE	NNE	NE
„ (miles per hour)	8.1	8.7	8.1	7.4
Temperature (Fahr.)	51.1°	50.9°	50.5°	51.7°
Humidity (per cent)	80	79	86	77
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	10	10	9	9
Rainfall (inches)	0.01	0.00	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report Dec. 1	Mean 1941	24 hrs. variation	68 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.26	—0.05	30.30
Temperature: min. 45.3° max. 53.8°	49.5°	+1.8°	46.0°
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	64.31	0.04	43.36

Time and Tide	3/12	4/12	5/12	6/12	7/12	8/12	9/12
Sun rises at Shanghai	6.36	6.37	6.38	6.38	6.39	6.40	6.41
Sun sets at Shanghai	16.51	16.51	16.51	16.51	16.51	16.51	16.51
Moon rises at Shanghai	16.43	17.35	18.12	19.01	19.53	20.47	21.42
Moon sets at Shanghai	5.42	6.34	7.24	8.13	8.58	9.42	10.24
Flood makes Shai. (day)	10.18	10.41	11.02	11.22	11.46	12.20	13.00
Ebb. makes Shai. (day)	15.10	15.42	16.05	16.35	17.05	17.40	5.42
H.W. W'sung Bar (day)	11.40	12.17	12.46	13.09	13.40	14.29	15.09
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	8.11	8.10	7.79	7.99	7.77	7.64	7.48

THE WEATHER

(See top of page, left)

State on the morning of the 1st:—Pressure rather normal and steady over China and Japan. Moderate northerly to easterly winds over the China Coast. Fine and cold weather in north-east China: overcast, cold and showery in our Valley.

State on the morning of the 2nd:—Cloudy and cold weather with light mist. North-north-easterly breezes. Pressure normal and steady.—Siccawei Observatory.

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(See top of page, right)

The following times apply to the Head-Post office Szechuen Road Bridge. Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is needed.

WEDNESDAY, December 3.	Reg.	Ord.
Hongkong and Canton	*20.00	7.30
Ningbsien (Ningpo)	9.30	10.00
Shenkiamen and Tinghai	9.30	10.00
Hongkong and Canton	9.30	10.00
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Manila and Honolulu U.S.A. Canada Europe via Manila	18.00	20.00
Indo-China via Haiphong.. A	18.00	20.00
THURSDAY, December 4.		
Aust. N.Z. S.S. India and Suez via Hongkong .. x	20.00	9.00
Hongkong and Canton ... x	8.30	9.00
Ningbsien (Ningpo)	9.30	10.00
Shenkiamen and Tinghai	9.30	10.00
Nantung	18.00	18.30
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FRIDAY, December 5.		
Tsingtao and Dairen	*20.00	7.15
Weihaiwei and Chefoo via Tsingtao	*20.00	7.15
Hongkong and Canton	*20.00	8.00
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